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Nuclear Tests Are Dropped

In Shift by White House

Facing Balky Congress, U.S. Favors No Trials Unless Others Do So First

> By R. Jeffrey Smith and Ann Devroy

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — The Clinton administrafon has abandoned a plan to conduct nine more underground nuclear tests and now favors no resumption of testing unless another country tests first, officials said.

The officials said the new plan, known as the "no first test" option, had gathered broad sup-port within the administration after legislative peaders on Capitol Hill made it clear that they poposed a limited resumption of testing.

The officials said no decision had been made

on when President Bill Clinton would anpounce the new testing policy because several details still had to be resolved and Mr. Chinton wanted to talk first with key foreign leaders. wanted to talk first with key foreign leaders.

The administration's plan marks a second retreat in the face of congressional opposition. A diplomat said the pullback would probably satisfy the Russians, anger the French, and marginally disappoint the British. France and British have been lobbying privately for renewed U.S. nuclear testing so they could resume their tests, while Russia has urged the United States not to test.

United States not to test No nuclear tests have been conducted by Russia and France for more than a year, and both nations are considered likely to follow the U.S. example. British tests are conducted by the

United States under a long-standing arrange-China has not conducted any tests since September, but its future policy is uncertain.
"Different Chinese officials have made conflicting statements." a U.S. official said.

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Congress imposed a nine-month moratorium on U.S. testing in September, saying 15 tests on U.S. testing it september, basing could be beld once the moratorium expired but declaring a permanent halt to testing after 1996.

Administration officials spoke months ago of renewing nuclear weapons testing later this year and continuing small anderground tests for an indefinite period thereafter. The proposal was seen by many on Capitol Hill as an attempt to undermine the law.

The plan to hold nine more tests was drafted partly to appears conficessional ophosition for the idea of indefinite testing. But his plan was given only a lukewarm endorsement by the White House, and it haidened congressional

opposition to any testing.
Administration officials had argued that some tests were needed to check safety up-grades for a nuclear warhead carried by airlaunched and sea-launched cruise missiles.

But opponents in the arms control community mounted a strong lobbying campaign against the plan. They said the safety improvements were of marginal importance compared with were or marginal importance compared with the goal of keeping the other four declared nuclear powers from resuming testing and Third World countries from developing bombs of their own.

their own.

Critics also argued that resumption of testing would undermine U.S. efforts to win interna-tional support for renewing the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty after 1995.

We got a pretty strong message from the Hill and from editorial pages not to test, a

Mr. Clinton's top advisers have now reached See BAN, Page 7

handed anti-abortion forces a big victory

Wednesday, voting to maintain the govern-ment's 16-year ban on federal funding of abortion for poor women. The vote was 255

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The House to 178. The House adopted a proposal by handed anulabortion forces a big victory henry J. Hyde. Republican of Illinois, that would continue to outlaw federal funding for would continue to outlaw federal funding for

Abortion Foes Win a Major Victory in House

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ten. As 3-year-olds run relay races in the schoolyard, the teacher suddenly calls out to one girl.

"You didn't run on the dorted line," the teacher says

Children in China learn early the importance of confor-

disapprovingly. The girl, pigtails bobbing, immediately retraces her steps on faded red spots painted on the concrete. The teacher smiles and node. No one eise makes

Rebel Is Azerbaijani Prime Minister

Doors Are Closing on East European Refugees

LONDON, THURSDAY, JULY 1, 1993

By Jane Perlez

New York Times Service

PLZEN, Czech Republic — A 31-year-old farmer from Yugoslavia, Mazlun Buragi. stepped off a scruffy bus onto the well-kept square here after a five-day, four-country journey, and with 50 other disheveled passengers tried to arrange a taxi to cross into Germany.

An ethnic Albanian from Kosovo Prov-

ince, dressed in a heavy leather jacket and with a peace sign tattooed on one hand, Mr. Buragi, one of thousands of people who pass through here from the Balkans, said he was fleeing conscription by Serbian authorities. He said he preferred not to stay in this relatively prosperous, beer-making Czech city, known in German as Pilsen, because he had better connections in Germany.

When people like Mr. Buragi arrive in Germany after July 1, they will face immediate expulsion to the Czech Republic, which

does not want them either. The new, more restrictive German immi-gration law that is taking effect has height-ened fears in the Czech Republic and in Poland, transit countries for most refugees into Germany, that they will become the dumping ground for those Germany refuses to accept. Hungary has expressed a similar

These former Communist countries, which opened their borders in late 1989 after de-cades as closed societies, are now rushing to stem the flow of people.

"A lot of agreements are being signed to push the refugees back east," said Daisy Dell, the representative of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees in Prague.

Last year, about 450,000 people seeking asylum arrived in Germany, and the flow this year has been about 30,000 a month. About half of the 1992 arrivals in Germany came from the Balkans.

The governments of the Czech Republic, Poland, and Hungary assert that refugees returned by Germany would threaten the coonomic progress these countries have made as they straggle to get their economies in

Further, the refugees could set off ethnic unrest and tarnish the carefully nurtured image of East European countries trying to improve, themselves

"This country cannot afford to take a large number of refugees at a time when people who live here are in a somewhat insecure position," said Tomas Hajsman, director of refugees at the Czech Interior Ministry. The image of the state would be hurt because we can't cope with them. We have to find a solution which is realistic for this country."

The three countries are planning new restrictions on migrants from the Balkans of tions to ensure that they can in turn deport

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Two Albanian youngsters waiting Wednesday at the border crossing after being deported from Greece with their family.

In Mass Sweep, Greeks Deport Thousands of Albanians

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches ATHENS — The Greek authorities have expelled about 13,000 Albanians in a sweep that the police say will be followed by the deportation of 100,000 people.

The expulsions started after Albania deported a Greek Orthodox priest last week,

cusing him of anti-Albanian propaganda. The Greek chief of police, Antonis Lamba-diaris, vowed Wednesday that the operation would continue until the last illegal immigrant was out of Greece. He called on Greeks

report illegals:
Tens of thousands of Albanians bave poured into Greece since the collapse of com-munism in their country in late 1990. They provide unskilled labor and are the major source of foreign currency for Albania, sending money to relatives. Some estimates of the total of Albanians are as high as 300,000, Efforts to expel the illegal immigrants faltered in the face of appeals for leniency from Albania, the poorest country in Europe. But relations between the neighbors took a

turn for the worse when Albania expelled Archimandrite Chrysostomos Maidonis, a Greek, from the town of Gjirokaster. Albanian policemen reportedly beat supporters of the priest who tried to prevent his

The president of the Left Coalition, Maria Damanaki, charged: "These massive expul-

sions of poor people are no response to the serious political problems posed by Greek-Albanian relations." The arrests have now spread to the Greek

islands of Crete, Kos. Patmos, Rhodes, the Cyclades and the Dodecanese, where hundreds of immigrants are employed in construction or agriculture.

Those rounded up in Athens have been taken to a special center in the port of Piracus, on the outskirts of the capital, or put into police station cells. Each day 20 to 30 busloads of immigrants leave Piracus for the border. Some are transported hack to Albania hy sea. (AFP, AP, Reuters) nia hy sea.

Court Delays U.S. Trade Pact With **Neighbors**

Environmental Study Ruled Necessary Before Accord Can Take Effect

By Paul F. Horvitz.

WASHINGTON - The proposed North American Free Trade Agreement hit a potentially devastating legal roadhlock Wednesday when a federal judge ruled that the U.S. government must fully disclose the environmental impact of the accord before it goes into effect.

The implications of such a ruling are trust

The implications of such a ruling are vast, according to some experts. If upheld, it could be applied to the more far-reaching Urugaav Round of world trade talks. Treasury Secretary Llovo Bentsen said the

government "strongly disagrees" and would appeal the ruling. In remarks prepared for delivery late Wednesday, he said; "It could result in an inordinated delay of NAFTA, and we don't want to see that. Furthermore, it interfers with the provident's ability to conduct feres with the president's ability to conduct foreign policy."
A successful legal challenge to this accord

would embolden environmental groups in the United States to file a similar lawsuit covering the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT, the 110-nation trade regulation

France and Japan are being pressed by the White House to conclude the GATT agree-

An environmental impact study on such a complex trade agreement as the North American one would certainly take many months, if not years, experts say, and could be challenged legally once it was published. All sides agree that the primary effect of the ruling, if it held up, would be delay.

Carol M. Browner, head of the U.S. Environ-

mental Protection Agency, said the administra-tion was "absolutely committed to NAFTA."

One legislative leader said congressional ap-proval of the trade accord would have the effect overriding the need for an environmental

study.

Environmental groups essentially want to ensure that no foreign treaty has the effect of limiting the scope of U.S. anti-pollution laws.

or the scope of U.S. anti-politition laws, or the scope of laws that govern the safety and purity of foods and agricultural products.

"It is not intended necessarily as a blow to NAFTA," said Alex Hittle, international coordinator for Educate of the Earth, which because dinator for Friends of the Earth, which brought the lawsuit along with the Sierra Chuh and Public Citizen. "What we're hoping is that the administration will not appeal and will go ahead and do the environmental impact state-

Mr. Hittle said GATT would be a target if the North American accord's ruling was not struck down on appeal. Such trade agreements can have a chilling effec strong environmental and food safety regula-A U.S. law, the National Environmental Poltions, he argued.

icy Act, requires environmental intpact studies under certain circumstances. The government had argued that the requirement did not apply to the North American accord and that it would infringe on the president's authority under the Constitution to negotiate foreign treaties.

But U.S. District Judge Charles R. Richey

disagreed, ruling Wednesday that the agreement negotiated last year by President George Bush and the president of Mexico and the

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Clinton to Tell Germans: Lower Your Interest Rates on the U.S. economy, many of which were

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton

said Wednesday that Germany could play a key role in sumulating the global economy by continuing to lower interest rates.

I think the German central bank should continue to lower interest rates there so that all of us together can expand this economy." Mr. The president's remarks, which came ahead

of next week's economic summit meeting of the Group of Seven leading industrial nations, sparked e trading surge into dollars, boosting the U.S. currency by nearly two pfennig in New

abortion except when the mother's life was at

The U.S. ambassador to Paris called for an

end to delaying tactics on trade. Page 2.

U.S., expecting sethacks at G-7 talks, plans to Page 2.

stake or in cases of rape or incest.

focus on the political aspects.

Mr. Clinton was responding to a reporter's question about what he would ask other countries to do to help end the global recession at the Tokyo summit meeting.

"I think Japan ought to stimulate their economy and open their markets, the Europeans should resolve their own differences about agriculture and other things and belp us sign the GATT agreement before the end of the year. Mr. Clinton said. referring to the Uruguay round of world trade talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

"If we can get a good trade agreement, if we can open the markets of other countries, then I think you'll see some real growth coming into

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the economy." Mr. Clinton said during a phototaking session with Congressional leaders.

He added that lower German interest rates would help, saying: "It is very hard for the

United States alone to grow jobs without belp from other nations." His remarks came as speculation grew in Germany that the Bundeshank might lower rates at its last meeting before the summer holiday on Thursday. (Page 13).

Mr. Clinton said that the global recession had cut U.S. exports, which generate about two-thirds of new jobs. America's trading partners need to do more to give their economies a boost, he said.

Asked about the most recent batch of reports

negative, Mr. Clinton said. Most of them are pretty discouraging and some are encouraging," adding that they pointed to the need to boost global economic growth.

"One of the reasons we're having this meet-

ing today is to talk about what the United States can do at the meeting of the G-7 to try to get growth going in the global economy. The said, referring to the summit meeting of the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Britain. Canada and Italy.

Mr. Clinton said that in a global recession, it was more difficult to generate jobs in the Unit-See RATES, Page 12

U.S. and EC Spar on Ways For Japan to Curb Surplus

By Richard W. Stevenson

LONDON - Like the United States, the European Community will conduce to press Japan at next week's summit meeting of the leading industrial nations to curb its \$150 billion annual worldwide trade surplus, more than a fifth of which is with Western Europe. But differences between the United States

and Europe over how to address the trade problem will keep them from presenting Japan with a united front on the issue, government officials and analysts said, diluting their message and perhaps weakening their negotiating

Despite ending initial negotiations with Japan on Monday without making significant progress. Washington is sticking by its insis-tence that Tokyo accept specific targets for increased imports of goods and services from the United States as the best way of achieving measurable success in reducing the trade gap. A third of Japan's surplus comes from its trade with the United States. The European Community, however, has

made clear that it objects to such an approach. which critics often call "managed trade," pri-

Kantor Gives Tokyo A Break on Sanctions

Rhomberg Rusiness News WASHINGTON - Miekey Kantor, the U.S. trade representative, postponed until November threatened trade sanctions against Japan in a dispute over public-works contracts. Mr. Kantor had previously given Japan a deadline of Wednesday to ease access for U.S. contractors to the government market. In negoviations in Washington, Japan had refused to

marily out of fear that any specific quotas assigned by Japan to goods from the United States would reduce opportunities for Europe-

Instead, the Community will push a program to review with Japan, company by company if necessary, the reasons why European exporters have difficulty getting access to the Japanese

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Lockerbie memorial to the victims. Queen Elizabeth II laid a wreath at the memorial. Strapped In for a Chinese Life: Swaddled Babies Learn Early Not to Fuss

spoiled only-children have become so common that Chinese have dubbed them "the little emperors." By Lena H. Sun Weshington Post Service

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But practically from the moment they are born, babies are conditioned to conform here. They are swaddled in blankets and tied up with string to prevent their arms and legs from moving. They sleep only on their backs.

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Thumbsucking pacifiers, security blankets and cuddly stuffed animals are not allowed. Toilet training starts within months of birth. Crawling the main way infants learn new skills, is discouraged.

"Parents like best for their children to be obedient said Dr. Wu Fenggang deputy director of the Child Development-Research Center of China. "I think parents are worned that if children are too individualistic, they might (ace problems later on."

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FOR FLIGHT 103 - Johanna Mass, an American representing the families of

Americans killed in 1988 on Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, at the

Western child-development experts say the Chinese way may teach children to rely not on themselves but on an outside power, whether their parents or society.

"I think it would make them learn very early that they didn't have any control over their environment." said Dr T. Berry Brazelton, a pediatrics professor at Harvard Medical School who has also studied child development here "I think a child who was feisty or individualisue

would have a very hard time in China." After a Chinese baby is born, nurses and doctors swaddle it so lightly that its arms and legs cannot move. Only the head is exposed. Chinese say the purpose is to

around the legs, "to make sure the legs grow straight and the child doesn't become bow-legged," said Guo Yanqiu. 37, a Chinese journalist whose son, now 15, was bound like this for three months, including sleeping and feeding times. The boy was only unwrapped to change his cloth

diaper and for bathing.

Swaddling has been linked to increased incidence of respiratory disease and hypothermia and hinders breastfeeding. The incidence of pneumonia among children between birth and age 5, for example, is three to four times higher than that in more developed countries, according to Robert Parker, a senior Unicel official in Beijing. Hypothermia, the condition that swaddling was designed to combat in the first place, results because the infant's arms and legs are unable to move to generate

heat. And infants who are tightly bound tend to sleep more, and therefore won't nurse as frequently, Mr. Parker

Although some hospitals in Beijing have stopped the practice, swaddling is still widespread in much of China, and it some poor rural regions it is taken to an extreme. In parts of Shandong Province and neighboring Hebei Province — areas plagued by water shortages — an estimated 700,000 to 800,000 peasants are wrapping their babies in sandbags for as long as a year after birth, and in some cases, up to five years, according to Unicef.

Babies are packed into hags with about nine pounds (four kilograms) of sand - covered to the waist so that they cannot bend, sit up, roll or move about. When the baby is first put in the bag, he will fuss and

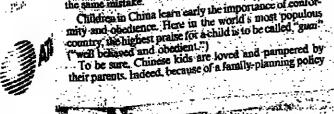
fuss." Dr. Wusaid. "But if no one pays him any attention.

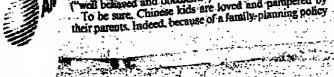
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Facing G-7 Setbacks, U.S. Will Seek a Political Focus

By Elaine Sciolino

New York Times Service WASHINGTON - With trade issues deadlocked and with resistance growing to that," an official said. U.S. strategy on aid to Russia — just days before the Group of Seven summit meeting in Tokyo — the Clinton administration has turned its attentioo to a political declara-

timen us attention to a political declaration by the group as a possible way to make
the dicting a success.

At a preparatory meeting of diplomats
in Tokyo last week, the United States met
obstacles on the political front as well as on
initiatives ranging from condemning Iran
to develoning assembles redicts on Bernia to developing accommon policy on Bosnia.

A standard British call to criticize Iran developing terrorism, developing chemical biological and nuclear weapons are for intended by human rights abuses has not yet won an excellent. political declaration, which is in the space in which a

minute fran might eventually ap-

"Everybody agrees that Iran is doing

some nasty things, but there is a lot of Serbia and Croatia to "respect the territoriconcern about whether the economic sumal integrity of Bosnia-Herzegovina" and include Japan and Germany, because, a all time their ability to devel mit is the proper forum in which to address

Some officials conceded that the other economic partners — Canada, France, Germany, Italy and Japan — do not share the U.S. and British conviction that Iran should be singled out for condemnation.

As for the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina, the seven have not yet agreed on a position.
The group decided instead to wait until they meet again, on the eve of the meeting, to inject a paragraph or two, the officials

The group's indecision on Bosnia is in stark contrast with its strong warning to Serbian leaders at the economic summit meeting a year ago. The Group of Seven said then that it would support military action backed by the United Nations if it parts of the country.

demanded that all military forces, except those of Bosnia, "be withdrawn or disbanded and disarmed with their weapons placed under effective international moni-

A year later, however, Serbia has con-solidated its position and the industrialized countries have abandoned any effort to roll back territorial gains. Because negotiations are under way in Geneva to divide Bosnia-Herzegovina into three ethnic states, senior officials said the group wanted to see what happened before drafting language on the

The American side successfully pushed for a call in the draft for an end to the Arab boycott of Israel.

This year's declaration will also include became necessary to get aid through to an appeal for United Nations reform, in-civilians in besieged Sarajevo and other ciuding a need for preventive diplomacy, ciuding a need for preventive diplomacy, particularly the strengthening of its peacekeeping role, hut will not discuss the U.S. include Japan and Germany, because, a all time their ability to deve senior official said, "the subject is too con-weapons."

In a gesture to Japan, the group has not agreed on language committing its members to an indefinite extension of the treaty on preventing a spread of nuclear weapons.

The Japanese argued that in light of their spread of nuclear weapons and concern about corpers support for results.

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The group is expected to agree on slightly vaguer language that refers generally to meeting of the group in Seattle in what it calls the importance of the indefinite extension of the treaty.

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"The problem is that we have to do this next week and without a government in Japan the acting government is not able to meet, but Minesting of heads of state. make a commitment even though the pow-ers that be in Japan are all in favor of it," that session the session that session the session that session the session that session t

*Certainly North Korea is a complicating factor and there are people in Japan cial sa

Mr. Clinton is also deering whether o use one of the the peaches he plans to use one of the thicks to call for a about the econominher Asia Pacific tion and trade

decision is made," an offiments be

At that time, the G-7 countries called on **Agent Who Toppled Brandt Expresses Pride in His Work**

By Craig R. Whitney
New York Times Service

DUSSELDORF, Germany — The Communist spy whose discovery brought down former Chancellor Willy Brandt in 1974 and the spymaster who sent him to Bonn met again Wednesday in the underground courtroom where the spymaster, General Markus Wolf, is on trial for treason against the country whose

government the late chancellor headed. "As contradictory as it may seem," the 66-year-old Gilnter Guillanme told the five-judge court, "the two men I was happiest to serve were Willy Brandt and Markus Wolf."

Looking like some weary retired civil servant, Mr. Guillaume, an East German agent who successfully worked his way onto Mr. Brandt's staff in 1972, told the court how Mr. Wolf had summoned him to Berlin in 1964 or early 1965 to discuss a plan for working his way to the top in Bonn.

His pride in outwitting Mr. Brandt's security staff during a vacation in Norway with the chancellor in 1973 was as much in evidence as the ineptness of the

Brandt government's security procedures.

Mr. Guillaume said that he was able to slip off to
Sweden with an entire briefcase full of secret documents, which an accomplice copied and took to East Berlin. The trove included letters from then-President Richard Nixon on differences with the allies over NATO ouclear strategy against the Soviet Union and its allies that Mr. Guillaume said "could make the difference between war and peace."

Mr. Wolf, looking fit and younger than his 70 years. smiled often but sat silently during his onetime prote-ge's three hours of testimony and shook hands with him afterwards. Mr. Guillaume served eight years in prison for espionage after a trial in this same custom-

worked for it, which are the main charges against me," Mr. Wolf said outside the courtroom. "This trial could

have been gotten over with in two days." But because East Germany was absorbed by the Federal Republic of Germany in 1990 after communism collapsed, he was charged with treason in pro-ceedings that opened in early May and are expected to last until at least October.

Ordered by his superiors to infiltrate into West Germany in 1956, Mr. Guillaume and his wife, Christel, succeeded beyond their or their superiors' wildest dreams. After he joined the Social Democratic Party, also on orders, Mr. Guillaume found himself, to his own surprise, elected to local party office in Frankfurt

At the meeting in Berlin later that year or early the next, he told the court, Mr. Wolf told him that the Social Democrats had a good chance of becoming part of the government in Bonn, Mr. Guillaume, he said. should make himself the protégé of someone he thought had a chance of becoming a cabinet minister when they did. His choice fell on Georg Leber, who moved to Bonn when the Social Democrats joined the government in 1966.

After Willy Brandt became the first postwar Social Democratic chancellor in 1969, Mr. Leber became defense minister, and recommended Mr. Guillaume to

Mr. Brandt as a personal assistant in 1972. "A master stroke," as the former spy described it in

When he saw the letter from Mr. Nixon, and other secret NATO documents during the chancellor's vacation in Norway in July of 1973, Mr. Guillaume said, he knew he had hit paydirt and that he had to get it to East Berlin right away.

"I had no Minox camera, and I thought briefly of just flying to Berlin myself with it," he said. "Instead, I "I do oot dispute the fact that I headed my country's pulled the trick with the briefcases and had a courier intelligence service, nor that I met with the agents who come to Sweden to do the job for me."



Bosnians aged 17 to 20 years trumping off to a war exercise in the mountains above Zenica. Bosnia.

3 German Attacks Aimed at Turks

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UNITED NATIONS, New

York - The United States ex-

pressed the view Wednesday that

Britain and France should retain

their seats on the Security Council.

but it again insisted that Germany

and Japan should become perma-nent members of the UN's most

powerful organ.
In a statement released by the

U.S. Mission, the United States

elaborated on ideas presented by Madeleine K. Albright, the chief U.S. delegate, earlier in the month

to include Japan and Germany on

Sighs of relief were almost andi-

hle when the U.S. statement said

that "permanent members of the

Council" — Britain, Chioa, France, Russia and the United

the Security Council.

Bavarian police said casualties

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On Monday, a Moroccan wom-BERLIN—The police reported could have been much worse if resanguinst Turks in Germany oo party near the building attacked in Wednesday with at least one of the town of Erbendorf, which enter the building attacked in Machenglading attacked in Machenglad eigner assault. Two people were in-residents and evacuate them in is clear that Germany is being spared more deaths in anti-foreigner attacks only by luck and fast

U.S. Asks UN Council Seats A Turkish family living in the building that was firebombed in Erbendorf had received telephoned For Germany and Japan threats after the arson on May 29 that killed five Turkish women and and powers, including the veto. The U.S. statement urged "per-

girls in Solingen, the police said.
Since the beginning of 1992, 26
people have died in neo-Nazi violence directed at refugees, foreign residents and German homeless or manent membership" for Germany and Japan but did oot mention leftists. On Thursday, a new law veto power for them, suggesting they would not have the ability to goes into effect to make it more they would not have the ability to difficult for foreigners to claim asykill resolutions with a single vote.

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adopted partly to try to reduce vio-"permanent membership entails assuming an active role in global tacks have continued."

Meanwhile, a bomh exploded That is a not-so-subtle hint to early Wednesday outside the home Germany and Japan that their of a local leader the far-right Repost-World War II constitutions, which many read as barring them from sending troops abroad, may need amendment to allow more ac-

tive peacekeeping roles. The police said the threats Among others vying for permanent Council seats are Brazil, India, Indonesia and Nigeria.

against the Erbendorf family made it likely the arson had been motivated by anti-foreigner hatred. against the Erbendorf family made

U.S. Loses Bosnia Arms Vote

By Richard Bernstein New York Thnes Service

UNITED NATIONS, New York — The Security Council has defeated a resolution, supported themselves at odds with their closest allies and supportive of the poonly by the United States and five sident taken by such customary Nonaligned countries, that would rivals as Iran and Libya, both of have lifted the arms embargo which spoke in favor of lifting the against the Muslim-dominated Bosnian government.

stained in a successful effort to defeat the measure. Only six countries voted in favor

stained. In order to pass the resolution oceded eight votes in favor. The resolution had been expected to go down in defeat, but it was pressed by the Nonaligned members in part to give them and the Muslim countries an occasion to tively seek the support of other rebuke the major powers for their council members. failure to take stronger measures to prevent Serbian aggression against the Bosnian Muslims and to issue

Bosnians to defend themselves. The United States and its European allies have for months dis-

lims. Still, the votes on Tuesday created a highly unusual situation in which the Americans found est allies and supportive of the po-

"That's oot the oormal way busi-Britain, France, and Russia ab- ness is done around here," an American official said. "It's a new world order in the Security Coun-

In the last few days, diplomats of the resolution, while all nine other countries on the council about the British and French campaigned actively against the lifting of the embargo. Some diplo-mats from Nonaligned countries privately expressed annoyance that the United States, while voting in favor of the resolution, did not ac-

In many ways, the debate played prevent Serbian aggression against out in a large public forum the the Bosnian Muslims and to issue more private discussions that have public pleas for them to enable the past few months.

One by one, the smaller countries argued that the Security agreed on the matter of lifting the council's many resolutions on Bosembargo against the Bosnian Mus-

smokescreen for a more general unwillingness to take real action to help the Bosnian Muslims. Under those circumstances, they argued on Tuesday, the least the council can do is provide the Bosnian Muslims the means to defend them-

"The uncertain action of the council emboldened the Serbs to intensify their aggression," said Jamsheed K. A. Marker, the representative of Pakistan.

Oo the other side, Britain, France, and Russia contended, as they have for months, that a lifting of the embargo would increase the havoc in Bosnia, and worsen the suffering of civilians there, without having much of an effect on the outcome of the war.

Lifting the arms embargo now, they said, could be fatal to the prospects of the oegotiations among the three groups in Bosnia

now taking place in Geneva.

"Above all," said the British delegate, David Hannay, "the adop-tion of this resolution would leave the impression that the United Nations was abandoning Bosnia-Her-zogovina and leaving its people to light it out to the end."

WORLD BRIEFS

U.S. Offers Ideas to the Palestinians

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The United States offered a draft document to Palestinians on Wednesday aimed at moving the Middle East peace talks forward, and was poised to offer the same document to the Israelis, sources in both delegations said.

The Palestinian negotiator Hanan Ashrawi said the U.S. document was

part of an "exchange of views and ideas, some of them verbal and some of them written." Others on the Palestinian team said they would take the document to Palestinian leaders in Tunis for discussion

The American ideas are still under careful study," said Haider Abdel-Shafi, the chief Palestinian delegate in talks with Israel. He said they would study it "carefully and we will see if it's going to push the peace

Police Cordon for London's City

LONDON (Reuters) - The police are to throw a security cordon around the City of London to try to protect the financial heartland from guerrilla attacks, officials said Wednesday.

Experimental checkpoints will go up over the weekend on six main routes into the "Square Mile," the most concentrated financial center in Europe. All other roads in will be barred to traffic.

The City's vulnerability after two major bombings by the Irish Republican Army has sparked concern that its status as a world financial center might be in danger. Authorities have said most of the City's 400 institutions, banks and finance houses favor tightening security and possibly banning nonessential vehicles from the area.

Demjanjuk Case Flawed, Judge Rules CINCINNATI (AP) — A federal judge ruled Wednesday that the U.S. overnment withheld evidence and hindered the defense of John Dem-

aniuk, a convicted Nazi war criminal who has been sentenced to death io U.S. District Judge Thomas A. Wiseman Jr. concluded that the government defrauded the federal courts as they examined whether Mr.

Demjanjuk should be stripped of his U.S. citizenship and deported to Israel. Mr. Demjanjuk, who maintains he is a victim of mistaken identity. is appealing his death sentence to the Israeli Supreme Court. In Jerusa-lem, a Justice Ministry official said Judge Wiseman's ruling had no

bearing to Mr. Demjanjuk's case in Israel.

Despite his conclusions, Judge Wiseman recommended that the 6th
U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals close the case and take no action against any of the government attorneys who prosecuted Mr. Demjanjuk. Mr. Demjanjuk was extradited in 1986 to Israel, where he has been sentenced to death as "Ivan the Terrible," a guard who executed Jews at the Treblinka camp in Poland.

More U.S. Bases to Close in Germany

FRANKFURT (AP) - German officials announced on Wednesday

the planned closing of U.S. military bases, including the Bitburg Air Base near the Belgian border and U.S. Army bases in Bavaria.

The interior minister of Rhineland-Palatinate state, Walter Zuber, said he had been notified by U.S. officials that most of Bitburg Air Base in the

Eifel mountain region was going to be returned to the Germans. In Bavaria, Premier Edmund Stoiber said that the U.S. secretary of defense, Les Aspin, had announced American base closures there. Of about 32,000 U.S. troops still based in Bavaria, 6,500 will be pulled out, The premier said Ferris Barracks at Erlangen; a training area near the town of Tennelohe; the family housing area at Schwabach; and the training area and five other facilities at Wildflecken are to be closed.

Control of Punjab Remains in Doubt

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) - Control of Pakistan's wealthiest and most populous province remained in question Wednesday after the prime minister ordered troops into the Punjab capital only to have them withdrawn later.

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, with the support of the National Assembly, declared emergency rule over Punjab Province on Tuesday. Shortly after midnight, Mr. Sharif ordered paramilitary troops into the provincial capital, Lahore, but they were later withdrawn. There was no immediate word on why or by whom.

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But President Ghulam Ishaq Khan said that he had not received the emergency rule proclamation for his required signature, and it was not certain that he would approve it. President Ishaq Khan and Prime Minister Sharif have been locked in a power struggle for months.

A headline in Saturday's financial pages incompletely described the institution whose managing director was dismissed by the Finance Ministry of India. It was the State Bank of India.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Thailand canceled visa requirements for visitors from Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Kuwait, Morocco, Mauritania, Djibouti, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Yemen, Israel and Tunisia. (AFP)

Kicking off Western Europe's summer vacations, some 3 million people are expected on France's southbound highways this weekend, including ocarry a milioo Belgians, Dutch and Germans, the Transportation Ministry said Wednesday. Air-Inter, the French domestic airline, is scheduling 100 extra flights with 31,000 seats for the departure wave in such both the common and Wednesday.

early July, the company announced Wednesday. Nine European Community states agreed on Wednesday to lift internal border controls on people from Dec. 1, a senior Spanish official said io Madrid. France threatened to hold up the accord, but agreed to a compromise Spanish proposal that external controls and anti-drug security will continue to be tightened. (Reuters)

Cyprus Airways pilots ordered a 24-hour strike beginning midnight Wednesday to protest a new tax on their income.

Despite the Baghdad Raid, Clinton Lags in a Rating

By Richard Morin and Ann Devroy

Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton's popularity continues to languish, according to a new Washington Post-ABC News poll, suggesting that concern about his stewardship of the economy, not bombs over Baghdad or budget votes, is the yardstick by which

Americans are measuring the new president.

Public disapproval of Mr. Clinton's performance reached a new high, with half of those interviewed critical of his leadership. Last weekend's attack on Iraqi intelligence headquarters did appear to provide a modest lift to the president. Among the half of those interviewed before the bombing, 41 percent approved of the job Mr. Clinton was doing, compared with 46 percent after the

But while his approval rating increased, the percentage of those disapproving of Mr. Clinton remained virtually unchanged before

and after the bombing.

A total of 1,514 randomly selected adults were interviewed from Friday to Monday for this Post-ABC News survey. The margin of sampling error for the overall results is plus or minus 3 percentage The president, asked about a CBS-New York Times survey that

showed his approval rating spiking up 11 points, to 50 percent, after the Baghdad strike attributed the increase to a better public under-

standing of his economic program.

Still, faith in Mr. Clinton's economic leadership is dwindling. In the new poll, 57 percent of those interviewed said they disapproved of the way Mr. Clinton was handling the economy, Just 38 percent said they approved, a new low for this administration and a 13-point drop in approval in two months.

UN to Reduce Bosnian Food Rations "In March, when the United Nations wanted

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SARAJEVO. Bosnia-Herzegovia — The United Nations' main refugee-relief agency will halve food rations to more than 1.5 million people for the oext 10 weeks due to a lack of donations and security problems, a UN spokes-man, Peter Kessler, said here Wednesday. Mr. Kessler said the political leaders of the

Bosnian Serbs and Croats fighting to dismem-ber the state have demanded money to allow

United Nations convoys to pass through terri-

tory they hold. Bosnian officials condemned the aid reduction as part of a concerted effort to pressure Sarajevo to accept a Serbian and Croatian plan that would partition the country and crowd its largest ethnic group, the Muslims, into a landlocked, postage-stamp-sized country with drea-

The Sarajevo government vehemently op-poses the partition plan, arguing that it will lead to Bosnia's complete disintegration, provoke more forced transfers of minority group mem-bers from the "ethnically pure" republics and reward Serhian and Croatian aggression against an internationally recognized indepen-dent state.

and Croatian militias have mounted joint mili-tary operations against the ethnically mixed but predominantly Muslim Bosnian army and predominantly Muslim Bosman army amblocked the progress of aid convoys and effectively shut off utilities to government-contively shut off the country trolled swaths of the country.

The aid cut comes at a time when Serbian

"The reduction in humanitarian aid is part of the pressure on Bosnia and Herzegovina," said Sulejman Sulic, the second-ranking official in the government's Foreign Ministry. "The energy problems, the convoys, it's all a part of the us to sign the Vance-Owen plan, they called and said there was no aid," he said, referring to a UN peace plan for Bosnia that the Bosnian government and Croats signed, the Serbs rejected and the UN negotiators who drew it up "Now it is obvious that partition of Bosnia

ago," said Haris Silajdzic, Bosnia's foreign min-ister. "Boban and Karadzic hold the identical

world view that people should be divided into ethnically pure territories," he said, referring to the Bosnian Croatian and Serbian leaders, Mate Boban and Radovan Karadzic.

They see no obstacles," he said. "They can see clearly that the international community is opposed to ethnic cleansing and the so-called humane transfer of populations only in a de-

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Clinton Trim Didn't Delay Flights, U.S. Says

NEW YORK - President Bill Clinton's haircut on Air Force One at Los Angeles International Airport caused no significant delays of regularly scheduled passenger flights, according to federal records, The Federal Aviation Administration records show that an unscheduled air taxi flight had the only delay attributed to the closure scheduled are taxi flight had the only delay attributed to the closure of the of two runways for an hour in anticipation of the departure of the

president's plane on May 18. The delay was 17 minutes. The president had apologized for any inconvenience caused by the haircut by the Beverly Hills stylist Cristophe amid reports that planes were kept circling and flights were delayed because runways

"If you understand the air traffic system, you'd find that statement ridiculous," said Fred O'Donnell, a spokesman at the agency's Western-Pacific regional office.

But an air traffic compoller said the runway closings did create extra work in the control centers. "If you close two runways, you take away 50 percent of the capacity and increase the complexity by 100 percent," said Karl Grundmann, regional vice president for the

Clinton Picks Classmate for Communications

WASHINGTON - President Clinton has nominated Reed Hundt, a Washington lawyer and a law school classmate, to head the Federal Communications Commission.

Mr. Hundt, 45, will succeed Alfred Sikes, a Republican who resigned when Mr. Clinton took office. The acting chairman of the five-member commission, which has two vacancies, is James A.

The nominee's prime promoter in the White House bas been Vice sident Al Gore, who attended prep school in Washington with Mr. Hundt and has relied on him for economic advice since 1984. Mr. Hundt, who is primarily an anti-trust lingator, also served as a member of Mr. Clinton's transition team on economic matters. He has most recently been a partner in the Washington law firm of

Conterees Pressured for More Taxes on Rich

WASHINGTON - A broad spectrum of House Democrats are urging that House and Senate negotiators climinate all traces of an energy tax from President Clinton's deficit-reduction package and make up the revenue loss with additional taxes on corporations and wealthy Americans.

The Democrats - ranging from liberals such as the Budget Committee chairman, Martin O. Sabo of Minnesota, and David Obey of Wisconsin, to conservatives including Charles Stenholm of Texas and Timothy J. Penny of Minnesota — view the energy tax issue as the most politically divisive issue standing in the way of

Many also doubt there is a politically acceptable middle ground between the House-passed version, containing Mr. Clinton's original broad-based energy tax known as the "Btu tax," and the Senatc version, which contains a much narrower tax on gasoline and other transportation fuels.

"This is not an energy issue, it's an issue of how you put this legislation to bed," Mr. Obey said, "We don't want to see an endless Ping-Pong match between the Senate and House over energy taxes." Mr. Saho, who helped steer the president's budget package through the House a month ago, said be was troubled that the Senate gutted Mr. Clinton's energy tax, which Mr. Saho contends was more

equitable than a gasoline tax and bore "some relationship to an energy conservation policy."

Mr. Sabo and others will encounter stiff resistance from the Ways and Means Committee chairman, Dan Rostenkowski, Democrat of Illinois, who strongly opposes raising the corporate tax rate any higher than the 1 percentage point increase contained in the House and Senate-passed bills. (WP)

FBI Director May Resign Within the Week

WASHINGTON - The FBI director, William S. Sessions, under fire since January for alleged ethics violations, may resign this week but not leave his job immediately, according to those familiar with talks aimed at resolving the matter.

those discussions, but the process is moving toward resolution," one source close to Mr. Sessions said. "It could be this week." Meanwhile, a federal law enforcement official said Wednesday

that Mr. Sessions met with Attorney General Janet Reno for a third rime to discuss his future. The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said he could not say what was discussed, and Ms. Reno declined to confirm that the meeting occurred.

The uproar over Mr. Sessions began in January when the Justice Department's Office of Professional Responsibility accused him of

Even if Mr. Sessions does resign now, some 4½ years before his 10-year term expires, "there could be a resolution in which he would not clean out his office and leave right away," the source said. (AP)

Quote/Unquote

President Clinton, in a speech urging that every business and worker in America contribute toward the cost of buying medical insurance: "Everybody's bills will he lower over the long run if everyone makes a fair contribution." (LAT)

Away From Politics

NASA delayed the return of the space shut-

tle Endeavour for another day because of clouds over the landing site in Cape Canaver-

al, Florida. The National Aeronautics and

Space Administration said, however, that if

bad weather persisted in Florida, the shuttle

could land at Edwards Air Force Base in

About 25,000 cases of 14 brands of soda

were pulled from store shelves in Massachu-setts and Rhode Island after three people

complained of finding thread-like pieces of

plastic in bottles. The problem was traced to

a machine that puts caps on bottles at a plant in Needham Heights, Massachusetts, accord-ing to Coca-Cola Enterprises Northeast. It

• A German responsible for diverting a Lon-

don-bound plane by suggesting there might be a bomb on board is heading home after

paying a \$1,000 fine. Clemens Markus Ru-dolph Stumm. 27. of Mainz, was originally charged with a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison. But a judge found him to be

said there was no danger to health.

U.S. Envoy to Paris Urges End to 'Delaying Tactics' on Trade

By Joseph Fitchett

PARIS - Finding Europe mired in what she called "deep pessimism and worry," Pamela Harriman, the new U.S. ambassador to France, said Wednesday that European governments should move faster in turning away from business-as-usual attitudes and should face up more boldly to radically new political and econom-

The Clinton administration is prepared to meet these problems head-on and wants other governments "to stop delaying tactics" in tackling the challenges of forging new terms for cooperation on security and trade. Mrs. Harriman said in an interview on the day she presented her diplomatic credentials.

Asked about signs of resurgent anti-Americanism in France, she traced it to concern among the French about "their own economy," indicating that she hoped stronger leadership in Paris would head off the trend.

"It's an old trick to blame the biggest kid on the block," she said. But she added that she did not believe

it was going to barden into a systematic political tactic of scapegoating U.S. economic strength.

Mrs. Harriman, 73. worked in Paris in the postwar

years marked by hopes for U.S.-aided French recovery but also by fears about U.S. influence that surface periodically in France.

With the European Community's grand designs showing signs of increasing strain in recent months, French leaders have started singling out the United States as a leading cause of France's problems, ranging from agriculture to movie production, from currency stability to Western powerlessness in Bosnia.

This has broader implications, because in many ways "France is taking the lead for Europe" in shaping relations with the United States these days. Mrs. Harriman said, while Germany wrestles with domestic

While hopeful that French officials' tough-sounding bark on trade will prove worse than their negotiating bite, Mrs. Harriman clearly sees herself serving as more than a messenger between governments.

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Congress about the depiction of rating system with new technology

working.

to let parents block out violent

agreed to do anything more than

voluntary codes" on program stan-dards, he said. "The problem is that it leaves out the millions of children

who watch television unsupervised,

and that's just a fact of life when so

many families bave two parents

This is the first time they've

SLOW START FOR FAST TRAIN — The engine of a German high-speed train that will power Amtrak's New York-Washington run being unloaded at Baltimore's docks. It is to undergo tests.

But Advocates Call Them Too Tame

violence in entertainment program-

ming and its possible harmful ef-

Supporters of stricter regulation

"It's a start, but it's a tepid

start," said William S. Abhott,

president of the Foundation to Im-

prove Television, a Boston-based

organization that has been pressing

lawmakers and regulators for

The agreement reflects a com-

stricter rules on television violence

promise between key lawmakers and the television networks. The

adding that he might resign before his term expires in December and would never again

McDonnell Douglas should act promptly to prevent the madvertent deployment of wing

slats on MD-11 jets, the National Transpor-tation Safety Board said. This has occurred at

least 11 times on MD-11s since April 1991,

including April 6 when a China Eastern Airlines jet pitched violently and dove 5,000 fect (1,700 meters) from 33,000 feet. Two of 265

Thirty-one people were indicted on charges that they ran eight groups that, under the guise of obtaining construction jobs for black and Hispanic workers, violently extorted

thousands of dollars from New York building

contractors. Federal attorneys in Brooklyn

said 22 of the 31 indicted were arrested by

FBI agents and the police. Two others are reported to be in prison on other charges and

flight from Shanghai to Los Angeles.

engers died and 160 were injured on the

announcement comes just one day

cautioned that the agreement may

he too tame to have any real im-

Networks Adopt Violence Ratings

fects on some viewers.

By Edmund L. Andrews

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — Hoping to
stave off a federally imposed system of ratings for violence on tele-

vision, the big foor U.S. broadcast

put on the air just before shows laden with mayhem come on.

available to newspapers and maga-zines that publish television list-

ings, allowing them to establish

what would amount to a special

The agreement, announced by top officials of ABC, CBS, NBC

and Fox in Washington on

Wednesday, could take effect for

coding for violent shows.

liable only of conveying false information. He was arrested after a British Airways flight from New York landed at Bangor, Maine.

A 17-year-old was sentenced to life in pris-

on for the carjacking death in Ellicott City.

Maryland, that prompted Congress and many states to pass laws against violent auto theft. Bernard Miller was found guilty of

murder and robbery in the killing of Pam

Basu, who was forced from her car at a stop sign and dragged more than 1.5 miles.

• An 18-year-old Marine suspected of killing

a Japanese man for allegedly making sexual

advances will be turned over to prosecutors

for trial as an adult. a Japanese family court

ruled in Okinawa. Private First Class Chris-topher A. Glidden is accused of killing Seiyu

Yokota, 33. Under Japanese law be is a minor

One month after he abandoned his mayoral

campaign, the president of the New York City Council, Andrew J. Stein, just as abrupt-

ly withdrew as a candidate for re-election to

his job. "I'm getting out of politics," he said,

until he turns 20.

The warning would also be made

networks have agreed to provide a he to warning to parents that would be pact.

Familiar with the political parochialisms of both Washington and Paris, she intends to "facilitate access

for important French people to important people in Washington, including some of my friends in Congress.

Underestimating the diffusion of power among dif-ferent government branches, she said, is the gravest nisconception in most foreign leaders' thinking about U.S. politics. Even though President Bill Clinton has a majority of his own party in control of Congress, increasingly intense economie competition has created fresh difficulties for White House leadership.

Varieties of this national feeling of fragility, marked by less openness to the outside world, are affecting all the industrial countries, according to Mrs. Harriman, who said that the United States was adjusting faster han most to radical new economic uncertainnes.

Mr. Clinton, she said, had asked Americans to make sacrifices to rebuild the economy as a contribution to global prosperity. At the same time, Americans' generally optimistic temperament encourages greater social risk-taking, she said.

This trans-Atlantic difference is deeply felt by Mrs.
Harriman, who frequently offers a shorthand characjob.

terization of herself as "European by birth, American by choice."

The widow of W. Averell Harriman, the financier and statesman, the British-born Mrs. Harriman was a political hostess and power broker in Washington and played a key role in reshaping the Democratic Party to conquer the White House.

In the process, she became a friend and backer of the Clintons', starting at the low point in their political fortunes when he lost and then recaptured the Arkan-

As Mr. Clinton heads for his first international summit meeting next month, Mrs. Harriman predicted that other leaders would be surprised by his intellectual grasp of their countries and the boldness of bis approach to tackling world issues and not just U.S. domestic problems.

He will be strongly positioned in negotiations with leaders of Europe and Japan, she said, partly because the United States is paramount in the world outlook. and partly because "he is the only one who is sure to be there in three years" without any electoral fears for his

Supreme Court Demonstrates A New Conservative Activism

By Joan Biskupic

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — Until a few days ago, the 1992-93 Supreme Court term was chalked up as a sleepy session, dominated by unan-imous and near-unanimous rulings that made incremental changes, if

But a conservative activism that had defined the Rehnquist Court in

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earlier years broke out in a final flurry of dramatic opinions. In a handful of decisions, a majority showed its desire to narrow civil rights law. a disdain for racial categorization and an ability to overrule a liberal precedent, no

matter how recent. In a bitterly divided opinion, the justices made it harder for workers trying to prove job bias based on race, sex or religion to make their case. The 5-to-4 ruling, which pleased business but fired up rights activists, recalled the 1988-89 term when a majority rewrote longstanding interpretations of laws barring job discrimination and Congress stepped in to reverse the

effects of the rulings, On Monday, the last day of the term, the same five-justice majority split from prior cases and ruled for the first time that white voters may challenge the constitutionality of strangely configured voting dis-tricts. The districts at issue were designed by state lawmakers, under federal voting rights law, to in-crease black and Hispanic repre-

sentation in Congress.

At the beart of that decision, by Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, was a conservative abhorrence of racetance to extraordinary government action to protect voter rights.

All told, the session showed that this court, despite sporadic moderate rulings, was still conservative. And it is not likely to change signif-icantly with the expected addition of Justice-designate Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a centrist.

The term demonstrated the benefit for Chief Justice William H. Relinquist in having a total of five

appointees by the Republican presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush to draw on for a majority. When David H. Souter, Mr. Bush's 1990 nominee, broke from conservatives — as be did on a number of close controversies — Chief Justice
Rehnquist could count on the othSince the 1988-89 term, the firs: ers for a majority.

As an illustration of the conservative dominance this year, Justice Souter, a beliwether of the middle, was on the losing side of most of the 5-to-4 rulings. Last term, he was in the majority in all but one of

The retiring Justice Byron R. White, who has been a close ally of Chief Justice Rehnquist over the years, dissented from the chief in a number of key opinions, notably on the validity of bizarrely drawn black-majority voting districts and what kind of evidence a fired worker needs to prove discrimination.

Replacing him with President
Bill Clinton's nominee, Mrs. Gins-

burg, would not have changed the outcome of those close cases. Her approach to the law appears somewhat like Justice Souter's, tempered and avoiding extremes.

could make a difference is religion. Justice White was a fifth vote to permit, for the first time, a public employee to participate directly in religious education. The case involved a Catholic high school smdent who was deaf and needed a publicly financed interpreter. Mrs. Ginsburg's opinions from her 13 years on the U.S. Court of Appeals suggest that she would prefer great-er emphasis on Article I of the Bill

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means that the courts will not de-

cide issues that are the domain of legislators. But it also connotes a

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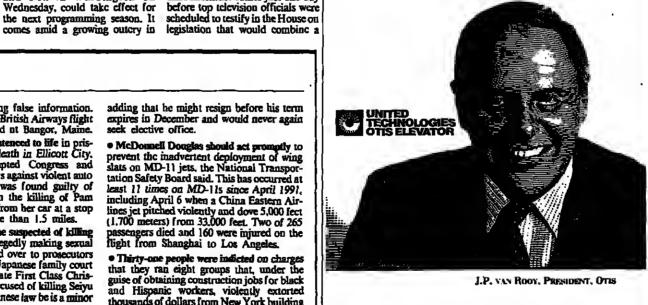
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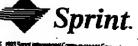
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Make the Baghdad Case

The Clinton administration claims to have "compelling" circumstantial evidence that Baghdad authorized the failed assassination uttempt on George Bush last April. But the evidence it has produced after three days seems too thin to justify the cruise missile attack on Iraq's intelligeoce headquarters last weekend. Surely the administration does hot intend to usher io an age when nations feel free to fire weapoos at each other's cities hased on unitateral assertions that intelli-

gence evidence justifies it.

President Bill Clinton said after the attack that he had acted because of intelligence evi-Sence that Iraq was behind the assassination attempt. The next day the United States presented its circumstantial case to the United Nations; bomb materials seized were like those used by Iraqi intelligence in the past, and the captured conspirators believed they had been working for Iraqi intelligence. On Tuesday, Mr. Clinton said the evidence "clearly indicated" lrag's responsibility. But

nothing new had been presented. Granted, the administration may well be right about Iraq's culpability. Given the peronalized nature of the traqi regime, the administration reasonably deduced that the operation was likely authorized by Saddam Hussein, against whom it was strictly enjoined by U.S. law from retaliating. So instead it targeted the Baghdad headquarters of the Iraqi intelligence service, which it plausibly

hypothesized must have been involved.

Isn't this justification enough for Sunday's measured use of U.S. military force, disabling the headquarters at a cost of eight civilian lives respecially since Article 51 of the UN Charter acknowledges an emergency right of unilateral self-defense against armed attack when time does not permit waiting for the Security Council to act)? Unfortunately, no. With 14 suspects on trial in Kuwait and with Iraq aiready under Security Council sanc-tions, Mr. Chinton might usefully have considered a less reflexively military course.

The president's challenge was threefold: to

defend American sovereignty against targeting a former president for his official deeds in office, to deter future acts of international terrorism against American citizens and to up-hold the requirements of U.S. and international law. So far as we now know, there was no need to strike Iraq before a more compelling case had been developed. Why couldn't Washington have waited for the conclusion of the Kuwait trials, which might have presented persuasive evidence to a watching world, and then brought its case to the United Nations? That would have allowed broader assessment of the evidence. And to do so would not have prejudiced Washington's right to act unilaterally if the

Security Council failed to respond effectively. As for practical results, there is no reason to think a missile attack on Ba'athist Baghdad will have much deterrent effect on the fundamentalist mullahs of Tehran, Khartoum, Sudan or Jersey City. New Jersey. Neither the many missiles of the Gulf War nor the 1986 bombing of Libya did much to shut down the Libyanlinked bombers of Pan Am Flight 103 or the circle around Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman.

Administration officials have told both The New York Times and the Los Angeles Times that the judgment of Iraq's guilt was based on circumstantial evidence and analysis rather than ironclad intelligence. Mr. Clinton's goals of democratic deliberation and multilateral action were poorly served by this tit-for-tat strike. -THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Chaos in Azerbaijan

The worst that could happen in the old Soviet empire is that Russian nationalists would conspire to restore the old order, Second worst is what is conceivably happening in Azer-haijan. The democratically elected president is on the run, under political pressure from an old discredited Communist and under military pressure from a young discredited adventurer. As for the Russians, something uncertain but distinctly unhelpful, though perhaps more a matter of oegligence than of conspiracy, is going on: The battle against the elected president has been conducted with Russian arms. The unraveling is alarming both for its effect on Azerbaijan and as a precedent for other parts of the former Soviet Union.

The crisis arises from Azerbaijan's struggle against a secessioo campaign opened up by ethnic Armenians in Azerbaijan's Nagorno-Karabakh enclave, In that bitter war, the president, a former dissident nationalist, floundered; finally he fled Baku. The old Communist Party and KGB boss Geidar Aliyev moved in as acting leader. But a warlord. Surat Huseynov, who had equipped a personal army tpartly from weapons some-how left bebind by departing Russian Army

units) to light in Karabakh turned that army into an instrument of his own ambition. First he took on the president, and now, with Mr. Aliyev's backing, he has been named prime minister. Cascading domestic as well as foreign frustrations seem to bave made peaceful democratic development less appealing to many citizens of Azerbaijan at the moment than the promise of strong leadership.

The transition from an authoritarian past has been particularly rocky in the old Soviet Muslim and Caucasus republics. Azerbaijan, which fits under both labels, has a considerable potential in its oil riches and its notable secularism, but these resources have yet to be tapped by wise leadership. Before the latest interruption caused by the power struggle in Baku, European and American diplomats were labor-ing to bring Azerbaijan and Armenia — as well as the Armenians of Karabakh - to the negotiating table. This effort remains vital. But so is restoration of leaders legitimated by democratic choice. The government of Boris Yelt-sin is under its own difficult but unavoidable obligation to see that no elements of the Russian Army contribute to the chaos.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

Voting Rights Imperiled

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor is leading her colleagues - and America - toward Jurassic Park jurisprudence. The dinosaur of segregated politics has been buried for less than three decades in the South. Now with her disingenuous attack on the Voting Rights Act in a North Carolina case, Justice O'Connor proposes to clone that dinosaur into a monster that could gobble up America's hard-won progress toward higher majority membership in Congress, legislatures and local governments.

The case's immediate object is two goofily shaped districts with bare black majorities. Due to these majorities. North Carolina's 12-person House delegation has two black members -the first of their race elected from North Carolina since Reconstruction. Previous Supreme Courts would have scoffed at the claim that this minuscule black representation amounted to discrimination against whites.

But Justice O'Connor's opinion sends a dif-

ferent message. The right wing has longed for the day when the highest court would allow a full-scale assault on the Voting Rights Act. By enlisting four other justices in her attempt to stand that act, the 14th Amendment and the history of Reconstruction on their heads. Justice O'Connor is saving that day is at hand.

Her opinion wraps the legal assault on the Voting Rights Act in noble language, proclaiming "the goal of a political system in which race no longer matters." Thus, she steps over the fact that America has a political history -and a hody of franchise law — in which race has always mattered. Only willful disregard of that history would allow a majority opinion that says the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment — passed to extend political rights to blacks - must be read to protect a white majority with no history of discrimination. The majority opinion argues frankly against color-conscious remedial action to correct past discrimination. Yet Congress voted in 1965 for exactly that kind of remediation.

To his credit, Justice David Souter, a conservative, answered these fallacies in a sentence. "One need look no further than the Voting

...

Rights Act to understand this may be required." he said of race-conscious remedies.

Justice Souter is right in saying that Justice O'Connor invites the court to reaege on two decades of sound law. He corrects her by pointing out that the Voting Rights Act not only allows race-conscious districting; it requires the Justice Department to see to it that "legislators will have to take race into account in order to avoid dilution of minority voting strength."

For Justice O'Connor to argue that this law is creating "an uncomfortable resemblance to political apartheid veers into the surreal. What a sad day it is when a justice who grew up in the party of Lincoln should argue that constitutional and statutory language designed to pro-tect blacks and enrich democracy must be construed to punish them, sustain all-white politics and retard a region and a state legislature that has tried hard to reform its politics.

Seizing on the odd shape of one Carolina congressional district and misreading its plain purpose, the court hurled epithets like "racial gerrymander" and race classifications "odious to a free people" at the legislature's plan to comply with the Voting Rights Act. The line drawing produced a strangely shaped district 160 miles (260 kilometers) long and in places only an Interstate highway wide. The district injured no legitimate voting-rights interests of the white majority, as the four dissenting justices pointed out. Connecting the towns and hamlets along I-85 was not the only way to give voice to rural, scattered African-Americans, but neither was it irrational. With her gift for reversing cause and effect. Justice O'Connor saw this as "an effort to segregate

the races for purposes of voting."
This case is not really about North Carolina. It is about the vitality of a crucial body of law. The civil rights community should bring all its leverage to bear against an extremely

dangerous decision. Justice O'Connor has opened a door for some crafty lawyer of opposite mind to derail a quarter century of voting-rights progress. -THE NEW YORK TIMES.



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The World Can't Always Wait for the UN

LONDON — The only serious objection to the Tomahawking of Saddam Hussein's intelligence headquarters is the one which says that America should first have asked the United Nations for permission to strike

The objectors other claims are manifestly hollow. This reasonably accurate reprisal against one of the most repelled symbols of the Iraqi dictatorship did oot "alienate the Muslim world." (Most Muslims have asked passionately why the West is not being equally tough about Bosnia, which is a fair question but not

There are toughs and tyrants abusing their people and others. Is nothing to be done, except by rare UN consensus?

the same thing as saying we should not be tough oo Saddam. I The attack did not need to wait for the Kuwsiti court's verdict on those accused of trying to kill George Bush. (Would anyone really have said. "Ah, the Kuwaiti verdict! That makes all the difference!"?) The Tomahawks
have not "made Saddam more popular at
bome," any more than thumping KGB headquarters would have made Stalin more popular.
Only the legal argument, about the UN's blessing, deserves a second look. It reflects a wide-

spread feeling that nowadays oo act of interna-tional violence is permissible without UN authority. But this raises n basic question about what the United Nations can -and cannot -be expected to do in the world's gropings toward a saner future. The answer, alas, is a painful one.
There are moments when the UN can speak and

act in the name of a more or less united world. Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait in 1990 was one such moment. There will be others, and when they come the happy consensus should be em-braced, the chance to act together seized. But these By Brian Beedham

moments will be relatively rare, because of a rather obvious fact about today's world. And yet —the painful point —the absence of consensus will not mean that it is always wrong

to act without consensus. The rather obvious fact about the world of the 1990s is that it is still a collection of powers with markedly different ideas about life and sharply varying practical interests.

varying practical interests.

Some governments, such as China's, still deny that it is theoretically conceivable that their people might wish to remove them from office. Others are run by an older sort of dictator, who knows that his people hate him but is happy to stamp on them. Some groups of countries think that a shared culture, or a shared history, is sufficient reason to have a shared foreign policy, opposed to that of other countries; they include Arabs. Africans — and some members of the Arabs, Africans — and some members of the European Community. And every country, dem-ocrat or authoritarian, yellow, black, brown or

white, has its own interests to protect.

It is unlikely that such a world will often find itself feeling the same thing about any given event. The more emotional the event, the less likely will unanimity be. It is therefore hard to believe that the present structure of the United Nations - or any imaginable new structure — will produce the reliable machinery of judgment, decision and ac-

tion that so many people now expect from the UN.

The fault will not be repaired by changing the way the Security Council operates. If instead of five veto-wielding permanent members there were seven, or 10, the likelihood of a veto would grow, seven, or 10, the likelihood of a veto would grow, and the chance of decisive action would shrink. If vetoes were aholished, and replaced by some sort of majority voting, the possibility of clear-cut action would disappear in a blur of compromise. This naturally disappoints all those who had thought the end of the Cold War would mean the start of world government. For much of the Cold war would mean the start of world government. For much of the

20th century, men of goodwill have longed to believe that the time was approaching when civilized states now possess — a legal system to decide what is right and wrong, an executive to shape the law, a police force to apply it.

The trouble is that these things are possible in civilized states because the people of those states

The Charge

Is Serbia's

To Answer

. By Immo Stabreit

The writer is German unbassador to the United States.

W ASHINGTON — We are witnessing the creation of a legend. It alleges that Germany, by pushing for early recognition of Crontia and Slovenia in December 1991, forced the breakup of the Yugoslav federation, thereby triggering the tragic events in Bosnia that we are witnessing today. It is about time to dispel this myth by a look at the facts. Some tend to forget: Recognition of Slovenia and Croatia was not a German decision but a unanimous decision by the 12 member states of the

sion by the 12 member states of the

European Community. True, Germany strongly advocated this policy. Its position was based on a sound analysis of President Slobodan Milosevic's

sis or President Sidopodan Mulderes's intentions and the desire to protect the victims of Serbian aggression.

First, recognition of Slovenia and Croatia did not destroy anything that had not been forced apart by Mr.

Milosevic before.

Milosevic before.

The destruction of Yugoslavia started in 1989 and 1990, when the Serbian leadership liquidated the constitutionally guaranteed nutonomy of the province of Kosovo and installed a regime of repression and socioeconomic starvation against the Albanian population of that province.

Afbanish population of that province.

At the same time, a state of emergency was declared in Vojvodina.

In an attempt to escape Serbian hegemony, Slovenia and Croatia declared their independence on June 25, 1991. In the following weeks—months before recognition—the Belgrade leadership started a war of concept expulsion, looting and destruc-

quest, expulsion, looting and destruc-tion against Croatia. This was not, as Mr. Milosevic wanted the world to

helieve, a war of secession. The object of Belgrade was not to restore Yugo-slavia but to create an ethnically cleansed Greater Serbia. The Yugo-

slav Army was transformed into an

Instrument of ethnic aggression.

Thus, rather than breaking up the Yugoslav federation, the recognition of Slovenia and Croatia robbed Mr.

Milosevic of the "save Yugoslavia" rhetoric that he has been using, not without success, to diagnise the meaning of his Greater Serbia strategy.

Second, as negotiations failed and

military means to stop Serbian aggres-sion were ruled out, recognition was

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of blocking the peace negotiations of Lord Carrington and at the same time continuing a war of aggression had made a mockery of the negotiating process. Meanwhile, the Croatian parliament ratified a constitutional law incorporating essential elements of the Carrington plan referring to

Thus, at a time when Serbs refused to even talk about this question, the

ing minority settlement of the region

to this day. Under the circumstances,

further nonrecognition of Croatia and Slovenia would have amounted to re-

wanding Serbian aggression. Recognition was designed to strengthen the forces of resistance against Mr. Milosevic in Croatia and Slovenia.

Recognition of Slovenia and Cro-

nia internationalized the conflict

Thus, Mr. Milosevic could be made

accountable for his actions under in-

ternational law. Mr. Milosevic got the message: The EC decision of Dec.

16, 1991, to recognize Croatia and Slovenia was followed by a Serbian

decision to stop the war in Croatia and accept the Vance plan for the territories under Serbian control.

Third, along with its partners, Germany was under no illusion that stop-

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the protection of minorities.

pursued as the next best deterrent.

WASHINGTON - We are wit-

have come to feel that they are all part of the same place. They accept that they belong together, and they agree about all the big issues. They are therefore willing to let their governments govern, their judges adjudicate, their policemen swing the necessary truncheon.

This has not yet happened to the world at large. We have not yet reached a clobal country.

large. We have not yet reached a global equiva-lent of the moment when (say) Frenchmen first said, "We are all French: We have an identity, and so we are prepared to accept the disciplines of a single state." The world as a whole does not yet possess a sense of identity.

It may eventually do so. The defeat of commu-

nism is a step in the right direction. The now widespread recognition that no race should as-sume its superiority over other races is another. But the gaps that separate different segments of bumanity are still many, and wide. So long as that is true, there can be no world rule of law. Yet the question of what to do about the Sad-dams of the world remains unanswered. There are tought who want to knock off neighbors, as Saddam tried to knock off Kuwait. There are tyrants who treat their own people aborninably, as Saddam treats his. There are governments that organize terrorism abroad, as Saddam's government does.

terrorism abroad, as Saddam's government does.

Is nothing to be done about such things, except when the UN assembles its infrequent consensus?

Of course something has to be done. Those who believe in the rules of a civilized world will sometimes use force, even if the cracks that criss-cross the world make it impossible to collect a consensus. It has to be done with care, of course. But if these who believe in freedom navier fight for other those who believe in freedom never fight for other people's right to be free, the world will never be civilized enough to have a sense of identity, to feel itself all one place. And only a world that feels itself one place can ever have a world government. International Herold Tribane.

Air Strikes Only Feed Violence

By William Pfaff PARIS - Iraqis of an age to

memories to attach to the U.S. attack on Iraq's intelligence service. From 1920 to 1932, Iraq was a League of Nations mandate under British administration, which for practical purposes meant it was a latter-day colony of strategic inter-est to the British Empire, at the time obsessed with control of the land route to India. Control of Iraq in-volved pacification of the Bedouin nomads of the desert.

British colonial practice had been to use troops to punish rebellion against the civilian administration, but Britain in the 1920s was poor and militarily overstretched. The new Royal Air Force had an answer, which it called "air control." It proposed to control the marauding Bedonin tribes from the air. A tribe that had rebelled against authority or broken the rules of tribal warfare would have its tents and carnels bombed. No troops required.

The principle was that of the gun-boat "diplomacy" of an even earlier period. When the "natives" became obstreperous - this was usually in China, where the colonial powers and the United States enjoyed ex-traterritorial privileges and kept naval units - a gunboat would be used to shoot them up.
Of course in the end, the Western

powers were ejected from Asia, and the United States went through more than a decade of lacerating debate over who "lost" China ending in the Vietnam War, meant to stop the "loss" of still another Asian nation. What eventually was lost in Vietnam was the American nation's moral confidence.

President Bill Clinton is receiving the usual congratulations from the



usual people for killing a certain number of individuals in central Baghdad in order to communicate to Saddam Hussein America's displeasure at his having tried to kill former President George Bush.

Mr. Clinton also is receiving the usual criticisms from the usual people for having caused civilian deaths, failing to consult the allies, jeopardizing friendships among the Arabs or for simple bad judgment. The affair is unfortunately famil-

iar. By my memory, the United States has been doing this at least since the 1964 Tonkin Gulf incident. I was myself, in the 1960s, tediously employed in drafting a number of speculative exercises in "escalation theory" and scenarios of "tit-for-tat" exchanges of violence with America's various enemies, each blow supposedly convey-ing a "message" to the other side, deterring him from further violence

dividends to the Soviets during World

or intimidating him from carrying out some malevolent action. It al proved a waste of time.

People say that violence is the only language a man like Saddam understands. They are quite right. He understands it much bester than people in Washington do. He has been on the receiving end of more violence than Bill Clinton, Anthony Lake and Warren Christopher can possibly imagine undergoing.
It has deprived him of Kuwait, but

Kuwait is not of personal impor-tance to him: Power is what concerns him, and events in his war over the last three years with the United States and the United Nations coalition, have aggrandized his power. He may end with a shot in the back, delivered by a colleague. But that will have had nothing to do with what Mr. Bush, and Mr. Clinton, will have done to "punish" Iraq.
I say there is nothing surprising about the raid last weekend, and the justifications and legal rationaliza-tions that have accompanied it. But is this really a practice we wish indefinitely to go on with? A permanent policy of unitateral acital attacks upon the capitals of

nations whose leaders are hostile to the United States, particularly when-these leaders and their peoples seem invariably to be the "natives" of our postcolonial world, cannot in the long term be in profitable policy and may even eventually recoil upon us.
I understand why Mr. Clinton and his advisers decided to do this. They are no better than their predecessors and this kind of policy now is part of the intellectual climate of Washington. But I cannot believe that pursuing this policy takes the country in a direction where, a generation from now, it will be pleased to have gone. International Herald Tribune.

O Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

In From the (Russian) Archives: The Orlov Story

By John Costello and Oleg Tsarev

NEW YORK — President Bill Clinton's directive for a sweeping review of the rules governing official secrecy is likely to be rendered meaningless by the British government's embargo on declassifying its intelligence records.
Under the terms of the British-

American intelligence-sharing agreement signed during World War I, the unilateral release of any classified information is prohibited. This pact prevents the U.S. National Archives from declassifying 500 hoxes of the wartime records of the Office of Strategic Ser-vices, predecessor of the CIA.

Since the British-American intelligence partnership was most intimate during the Cold War, it is valikely that the full story of the West's threedecade-long struggle against the KGB can be sold unless the British government relaxes its policy toward intelligence secrecy.
In contrast, the Russians bave es-

tablished an auspicious precedent by declassifying the KGB dossier on Alexander Orlov, Stalin's master spy. which reveals that he was the archi-tect of the notorious Cambridge spy ring and its hitherto unidentified offshoot at Oxford University.

The Soviet archives reveal that Mr. Orlov, a general and the highest-ranking Soviet intelligence officer ever to fice to the West, was never a defector in the usual sense but rather a fugitive from Stalin's purges. The dossier documents that in 1932, after tunning underground operations in Germany and France, he came to the United States, where he fraudulently obtained a genuioe American passport in the name of William Goldin, an emigré bosinessman.

In 1934 he arrived in London to set up shop as an importer of American refrigerators, the cover he used while directing the recruitment of Kim Philby. Donald Maclean, Guy Burgess. Anthony Blunt and others. Another member of his under-

Soviet Union. He repeatedly denied the charges, now corroborated by his KGB file, that he had systematically and ruthlessly liquidated Spanish Marxists

sinate Francisco Franco, Mr. Or-

lov also masterminded the removal of the entire Spanish gold reserves to the

and foreign journalists critical of Moscow's hard line. Alerted in 1938 that Stalin had listed him for liquidation. Mr. Orlov fled with his wife and ill daughter to the United States and, with the aid of influential family friends in the Russian emigre community, received a dispensation from officially registering as an alien resident.

During the next 15 years, he went

into hiding, living as a recluse in Boston, Los Angeles and Cleveland on the \$22,800 he had taken from his headquarters safe in Barcelona. When the cash ran out, he sold Life magazine a sensational account of Stalin's secret crimes, whose publication coincided with the dictator's death in 1953. Only then did the former Soviet general come to the attention of the FBI.

Mr. Orlov claimed that he had blackmailed Stalin into calling off the worldwide manhent for him by trading his silence about the Soviet dictator's criminal responsibility in the Great Purge for his life. But his letter

ground team, which established a net- in the KGB files discloses that Mr. Orlov's actual blackmail threat was

work of spies in Western governments. to reveal 63 Soviet intelligence agents and secret operations, including the leading members of the Cambridge whose activities brought enormous War II and the Cold War, was Rudolf Abel, who was later involved in atomic ring, the murder of the Spanish spionage in the United States. Mr. Orlov then returned to Mos-Marxist leaders, the plot to assassi-nate Trotsky and "all" the undercovcow, where he became an intelligence adviser to Stalin before being posted er work in Britain, France, etc." Mr. Orlow was enlogized in the U.S. Senate on his death in 1973 for to Spaio as the Soviet secret-police chief. During the civil war there, he again "ran" Mr. Philby, who was a key figure in an abortive plot to as-

delivering n "priceless legacy" in his testimony detailing Soviet under-ground operations in the United States. His KGB file, however, shows that his testimony to the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, which in-cluded his celebrated unmasking of Mark Zborowsky, was another deception. Mr. Orlov had known all along that Mr. Zborowsky — the agent who had penetrated the exiled Trotsky's entourage, emigrated to the United States in 1941 and resumed his career as an anthropologist until his career as an anthropologist until

his conviction in 1958 for perjury was already under FBI surveilla So Mr. Orlov's legacy was little more than a confirmation of names of known Soviet agents. He carefully concenied during 20 years as a CIA informant his "priceless" knowledge about Mr. Philby and surviving mem-bers of the Cambridge ring.

To document his career of decep-tion, the Russian Intelligence Service has declassified many of Mr. Orlov's operational reports. This is precisely the type of documentation that the CIA has been exempted from declassi-fying. The FBI has declined to release more than half its files on Mr. Orlov. The release of the KGB dossier by the Russians has also brought to light

British government documents stolen by Mr. Orlov's Cambridge recruits. These include a first references to the. development of the atomic bomb, reports of secret cabinet discussions still withheld in Britain and details of the

deciphering of U.S. diplomatic codes. This declassification of documenta-tion still secret in Britain shakes British skeletons from the KGB closet.
After the Russian Intelligence Service's initiative, it would be n tragedy
if the Clinton administration's declared intention of opening up Ameri-ca's Cold War intelligence archive were to be held bostage to Britain's ion for keeping historical skele. tons locked in the closet of secrecy.

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ping the war in Slovenia and Croatia would solve the problems in other parts of former Yugoslavia.

The war that broke out in Bosma-Herzegovina in April 1992 proved to be the second phase of the Greater Serbia war. It confirmed the German analysis of Mr. Milosevic's intentiona The decision to recognize Bosnia-Herzegovina was based on a broad international consensus, which includ-ed the United States. It was inspired by the wish to defend the legitimate government of Bosnia-Herzegovina

and to protect the rights of non-Serbs.

The attempt to salvage a multiethnic Bosnian state from the wreckage of the Yugoslav federation failed because neither the European states nor the United States were prepared to defend this state. Germany does not turn n blind eye

to Croatian or, indeed, Muslim violations of international law and human rights. But it is Serbia that bears primary responsibility for the destruction of the Yugoslav federation and for the brutal interethnic conflict. The Washington Post.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Short on Honors PARIS — According to an an-nouncement made on Wednesday

[June 28] by the Figure, there do not seem to be quite enough decorations of the Legion of Honor to "go around," for only the Army and Navy are to receive theirs on July 14. and civilians must wait till "next. time" - perhaps another year. We are sure that our readers will be glad to learn that among the intended dec-orations for July 14 — now post-poned — was M. Foram who is about to sail for the United States, where he will sketch for the Herald a series of caricannes of the sceaes of everyday. life at the Chicago Exhibition.

1918: Rumors of Russia

WASHINGTON - Sensational rumore having circulated to the effect. that the Maximalists in Russia have been overthrown and the monarchy

many" stamp. After Friday [June 28] night's sensation over the rumored overthrow of the Bolsheviks and the capture of Moscow by Kornilov, aided by German forces, and the restoration of Grand Duke Nicholas to the throne, the most extreme scepticism now prevails in authorized circles.

1943: Churchillian Rally

LONDON - From our New York edition: Prime Minister Churchill

asserted today June 30 in a speech full of robust confidence that very probably there will be heavy fighting n the Mediterranean and elsewhere "before the leaves of autumn fail." The Prime Minister, speaking in the bomb-scarred Guildhall, where he received the freedom of the City of London in an impressive ceremony, indicated there would be no direct attack on Germany for some time to come. During the summer and as the restored, there is a belief here that such reports bear the made in German industries out of the big cities.

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Clinton Fled to the Center And a Wiser Vision of 1996

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

WASHINGTON — Two powerful notions have taken hold in the first six months of the Chinton administration. The first is that Bill Clinton got into trouble in the early going because he "moved left" from where he was in last year's campaign. The second is that he will be judged in 1996 almost entirely

by how the economy is doing.

The assertion about leftward drift is flatly wrong. The business about the economy isn't as true as it seems. Far from moving left after the election,

Mr. Clinton moved to the right or perhaps more properly -to the center on what has so far been a central concern of his administration, the budget deficit.

During the campaign, Mr. Clinton insisted that the economy's performance

and its ability to improve middle-class incomes were more important than the deficit. In the primaries, he scolded a rival: Pani Tsongas, for deficit obsession.

Sure Mr. Clinton said he would cut the deficit. But in his standard speeches. the priority went to retraining for the work force, guaranteeing everyone access to college loans and a national service program, creating jub apprenticeship programs. There was also that middle-class tax cut and the promise of

universal access to health care. ... At the heart of the economic strategy that Mr. Clinton outlined during the campaign was an active government that would be a catalyst for middle-class prosperity. To be sure, he regularly at-tacked the "tax and spend" policies of the past, but this was his way of arguing that the "investments" he had in mind

would not be wasteful. To the extent that Mr. Clinton executed a shift after the election, it involved giving a higher priority to deficit reduc-

tion. It was a shift more in the direction of Mr. Tsongas or Ross Peror than of Tom Harkin or Edward Kennedy. Mr. Clinton even bragged that his program was close to Mr. Perot's.

Key economic appointments went not to liberals or big spenders but to centrists and deficit-hawks - Lloyd Bentsen and Leon Panetta, Roger Altman, Alice Rivlin and Robert Rubin. The middle-class tax cut disappeared. Liberals who sought a large sumulus plan were disappointed. Mr. Clinton's ill-fated stimulus was puny compared with the \$50 billion to \$60 billion liberals thought necessary. The stimulus was too small to be defended as mattering a lot, but big enough to be a good target for Senator Bob Dole.

Mr. Clinton still has new spending in

his budget for such things as job training national service and help for the working poor. But his public arguments about what will create growth have drifted toward an ever higher priority on the low long-term interest rates that deficit reduction should produce. which in turn are supposed to bring a flood of new investment. Joining "the forgotten middle class" as a key constituency requiring Mr. Clinton's attention are the Wall Street bond traders who will determine what the interest rates will be. A solicitude for bond traders is not a left-wing obsession.

Ah, yes, say advocates of the thesis that Mr. Clinton drifted left, but what about the huge new taxes on the rich? What about gays in the military? What about all the early actions Mr. Clinton

took on behalf of abortion rights?

Sorry, it was the Clinton of the campaign — the "centrist" — who committed himself to each of these posicions.



And taxes on the rich, far from scaring "centrist" voters, have always been one of the most popular parts of the Clinton program, since most voters aren't rich. Analyzing whether the Clinton plan is "ton left" or "too right" is a useless enterprise because the categories are confused and because economic arguments get all mixed up with ideological predisposi-tions. Mr. Clinton is using "liberal means, higher taxes on the rich, to the "conservative" end of deficit reduction.

Does that make the plan "centrist". Not to the people who'll pay the higher taxes. Critics of the plan on both the left and the right are actually worried about the same thing — that the plan will slow economic growth — but for characteristically different reasons. Supply-side conservatives say higher taxes on the rich will cripple investment. Some liberals worry that taking too much government spend-

ing out of a sluggish economy too fast will throw the country back into recession. Mr. Clinton insists that the low interest rates answer both of these criticisms.

Moreover, the idea that Mr. Clinton's political future is utterly dependent on the performance of the economy is true only at the extremes. If in 1996 the economy is soaring at a 4 percent annual growth rate with low inflation, Mr. Clinton will bave trouble losing. If the econonny is dead, so is he. But it is at least as likely that the economy will do O.K.. but not more than that.

In such circumstances, everything else Mr. Clintoo does will matter 2 great deal. Voters will judge him by whether he keeps his promises on bealth care, welfare reform, expanded job training and reforms in the bureau-

cracy, among other things.

The Washington Post.

It All Started at the Gare du Nord

P ARIS — Forty years ago on a soft spring evening I stepped off the Golden Arrow from London onto the platform at the Gare du Nord and into an alliance with Paris that has

not yet ended. A brief Metro ride, then a struggle with my overloaded suitcase up the steps at Alma-Marceau, and there, just as promised, gleaming to the spotlights across the Seine was the Eiffel Tower. I was 24, a half-trained reporter whose only extra language was Bad Spanisb; for at least half my life I had known that Paris was where I ought to be.

So I sat down at the nearest cafe (Chez Francis) and ordered what I knew was the official drink (Pernod) and stared out at the scene; beautiful women, expensive cars with yellow headlights, the scent of black tobacco blending with rich perfumes. A sweet breeze cooled a dozen intimate conversations as evening's blues and grays converged.

A truly seductive scene - and just as truly deceptive. World War II was past but still present; its scars were deep. France had lost many sons and the survivors had lost their way and in the disarray my European education

Most of 1953 went by in Paris. Later there were regular journeys back from postings in Germany, Hong Kong and New York. In 1973, at last, came a magazine assignment to Paris, by then isiderably more elegant — but I had been taken prisoner long before by that shabby postwar city struggling to recover its prewar splendor.

In 1953 the buildings were mostly unpainted and clothing often chintzy, sidewalks cracked and shutters un-hinged. The reek of the unwashed added unexpected dimensions to the scent of uncollected garbage. And although one war had ended, bloody colonial insurrections in Indochina and North

By Robert K. McCabe

Africa were hobbling France's recovcry. Vietnam and Algeria drained treasuries and split consciences; Hall of France wanted to jettison the colonial dream; the other half could not let it go. The French were not happy. Gov-

MEANWHILE

ernments collapsed like packs of hadly stacked cards. Existentialism flowered: Jean-Paul Sartre and his followers taught that life was to be lived for the momeot, that nothing else mattered. Along with that sullen philosophy went distaste for the Western allies. Slogans smeared on walls demanded that Americans go home: the press sneered at America, and so did habitues of Left Bank cafes.

But I also found French men and



The writer in 1953.

lectual fashions. Among them were the Leveques, Breton-origin Parisians I met through an uncle who had reached Paris shortly after the Liberation. With their daughter Colette as an occasional guide. I explored Paris and the cafes of St.-Germain-des-Pres. We went 10 films like "Le Salaire de la Peur." And with her I met other Pansiaos - including Monsieur le Chevalier and Madame de Parmele, who offered me a home away from the cheap room I'd first found.

Life with them later that summer was more pleasant, but the oe Parmeles had not been spared the general sorrows. Their daughter was tubercular and spent much of her time in the Alps. More tragic still was their unreheved mourning for their son. Alain, a Chasseurs Alpins sergeant killed two years before in battle in Victnam. Too young to fight in World Wat 11, he had volunteered for service in Indochina. and in his eagerness to see active ser-vice had brusbed aside his father's insistence that he complete officer's school. With Alain's death, the familyline had ended.

On a prie-dieu in the living room, his uniform jacket with its many medals was draped, and his inconsolable mother prayed there daily. Once a week she visited his grave in the cemetery of Pers-Lachaise and I occasionally went with her. My room, of course, had been Alain's. The chevalier, who had served in both world wars, internalized his grief, but Madame could not.

That fall, I left for London and New York after a final visit to Pere Lacharge with Madame. My life with Alana's family, and his death in Vietnam, had resonances for me that I was then only

beginning to understand. Now it is 40 years later, and I live in an apartment from which I can see iste Eiffel Tower, les Invalides and many other splendid buildings. Madame de Parmele and her husband are long dead, My son, born in Hong Kong while his father was a war correspondent in Vietnam, now is a journairs too and has his own stake in Paris.

Les Invalides is, of course, the heart and soul of the French military, and on mornings throughout the spring | watch parades and bands with troops from all the services, including the mountaineers of the Chasseurs Alpins: occasional. the splendrous horse guards of the Garde Republicaine turn out, For an hour or two, the centuries-old military glory of France is on parade.

A surring sight, for foreigners and fathers as well as for the French themselves. It is a springtime rite, the lively counterpart of the sobering. darkening fall that waits as the days run down. That is when, on All Saints Day, I go back to young Alain's tomb in Père Lachaise. The flowers I leave at his beadstone are of course for him. but they also keep alive the memory of another young man, so full of opli-mism, at the Gare du Nord so many springs ago.

International Herald Tribune.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the World Bank and IMF:

Committee and the second of the

Africa Has Its Own Agenda Regarding "World Bank Takes Turn:

Help Africa Help Itself" (May 22): I would like, on behalf of the Organization of African Trade Union Unity, which represents African workers in all 52 African countries, to thank Edward V. K. Jaycox, vice president of the World Bank for the African region, for his intellectual honesty in admitting, albeit too late, the abyamal failure of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund's programs in Africa.

Members of our organization have been crying in the wilderness that the conditions set up by the bank and IMF would not work and would increase African indebtedness and poverty. The bank and fund have, indirectly, encouraged military and one-party dictator-ships. Opposition to World Bank and

IMF programs by farmers and workers

has been brutally suppressed.

Perhaps the greatest disservice to Africa is the agricultural policy of these two institutions. Our poor African countries were forced to concentrate on "cash crops" such as cocoa, coffee, cotton and rubber, at the expense of food production, so that food has to be imported from

the United States and Western Europe. In the past 10 years, more than \$100 billion has been siphoned from Africa in the servicing of its debt, an average of almost \$1 billion every month. In addition; poor countries in Africa are being forced into privatining public-owned enterprises within three years, while it took Britain under Prime Minister Margaret

Thatcher 12 years to privatize only 17 percent of public companies.

We suspect that the economic ideologues who dominate the World Bank and IMF, opposing any government enterprise, have been morngaging the

wealth, prosperity and future development of Africa, enriching their multinational friends and their few local collaborators in Africa at the expense of massive poverty of the overwhelming majority of the 600 million people of Africa. We call on the World Bank and IMF to:

 Abandon forthwith their and-people and anti-development programs; · Accept, as inalienable, the rights of all countries, rich or poor, lo their own

development paths;

· Give back the sovereign authority of African countries over their economic policies, which the World Bank and IMF have hijacked; Immediately withdraw all "experts"

from African central banks and finance Make compensation to all the African countries, whose economies they have destroyed over the years, and write

off debts already paid twice over by

manipulation of the international financial system against developing countries. HASSAN A. SUNMONU, Secretary-General.

Organization of African Trade Union Unity, Accra, Ghana. Kashmir and Punjab

Regarding "Kashmir; Uncover Their. Ugh Secret" (Opinion, May 26) and "In-dia's Dirty New War; Chilling Tales of Atrocties From Kashmir" (June 8):

Both articles allege human rights abuses in Kashmir. Of course, neither one mentions the plight of the 300,000 Kashmiri Hindus driven out of their homes by terrorists in early 1990, who have become refugees in their own country. The sad part is that the Indian government does not take cognizance of these abuses.

nam or the Soviet Union's in Afghanistan. But these two superpowers were outsiders. Kashmir is a part of India, and the Indian armed forces are defending their own territory. The Indian govern-ment has provided ample evidence that the terrorists have been supported by Pakistan

for its own political compulsions. The immediate need is to handle the aw-and-order problem with a firm hand. This has been done in Punjab, and we see positive results there to the extent that free and fair elections have become possible. There is no denying that in such cases

there may well be some abuses by the law enforcing anthorities. This happens in Ireland, and it also happens in the United States.

ASHOK V. CHOWGULE.

As to "atrocities" being committed by The June 8 article tries to draw similarities with the U.S. involvement in Viet-

By the Barracks Gate

disciplined army does it nowhere else

but Kashmir. There must be provoca-

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Schilde, Belgium.

tion to the breaking point.

Regarding "To Defend the Country" (Letters, June 15): Jeffrey Hale is right in saying that "a military community is invariably safer

and more caring than the community outside the gate. That's because outside the gate one finds the usual militarydependent rowdy bars, prostitution, drug peddlers — the tradioonal and inevitable camp followers." The American military is justly infamous for its hypocritical de-nial of the social hlight it creates "outside the gate."

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How Businessman-Turned-Sleuth Helped MI6 Intercept 'Supergun' Barrels

LONDON - A British business executive told a government inquiry on Wednesday how intelligence agents, with his help, thwarted the export in 1990 of barrels for what they believed was a huge artillery gan being built by Iraq.

The executive, David James, was the chairman of Eagle Trust, the parent of a Birmingham-haved company called Walter Somers. Mr. James told the inquiry that soon after acquiring Walter Soniers in early 1990 he became suspicious about tubing the company was making, supposedly for a petrochemical plant in Iraq.

Mr. James, speaking publicly about his role for the first time, said that he contacted Mlb. Britain's international intelligence agency. and worked with an agent he iden-tified only as "Mr. Z."

He said he had played a key role ened, to include the involvement of

The inquiry was set up last year by Prime Minister John Major to investigate whether the government, in an effort to help British companies win sales, had violated its own ban on weapons-related exports to Iraq.

Mr. Major established the panel after the collapse of a trial of three executives from Matrix Churchill, a British company that had been charged with violating the export han hy selling Iraq sophisticated machine tools of a kind that could be used in weapons building. The charges against the executives were dropped after a former government minister admitted he had helped case the way for the sales.

The inquiry, however, has broad-

factured by Walter Somers and another Iraqi weapons programs.

other company later that year.

Mr. James said he felt "a consid-

erable sense of disquiet" after being shown the tubes being manufactured for Iraq. He said that he

had been cleared by the Depart-ment of Trade and Industry. Room to intelligence services as Project Babylon, that would be ca-

MI6, which arranged for him to full of anthrax, a deadly bacteria. meet with its agent, "Mr. Z." Mr. James said he described the tubes James took files from Walter had asked the managing director of James said he described the rubes. James took files from Walter Walter Somers, Peter Mitchell, to the agent and showed him a Somers to photograph in a hotel what the lubes were for, Mr. Mitch-sketch. The agent, said Mr. James, room for use by the intelligence

Mr. James said he then called pable of delivering a one-ton shell Asked for help by Mr. Z. Mr.

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British companies in building the suspected gun-barrel parts manusco-called Iraqi supergun and in factured by Walter Somers and an other lead reports and an other lead reports from Iraq to that whatever their use, the orders prototype of a much larger gun. letter of credit that had been used Walter Somers. He said he asked contacts in the banking industry whether they had records of any similar letters of credit, and that he was informed him of a payment order for much larger tubing. The made to a company in Scotland. which Mr. James did not name.

ufacturing equipment that was provided to another company called Sheffield Forgemasters.

Mr. James said he then learned from documents that executives at Walter Somers had been shown an big for the Walter Somers factory,

The payment was for pipe-man-but that its executives had discussed the order with Sheffield

Mr. James said he immediately informed the intelligence agent, and that hours later the authorities seized large tubes made by Sheffield Forgemasters that were due to documents said the tubing was too be shipped within hours to Iraq.

UN Nuclear Expert Sees No Purpose Now to Iraq Sanctions

MANAMA. Bahrain — A United Nations nuclear the Iraqi program had "been pounded into the ground by bombs, by inspections, by disruptions."

The UN Security Council imposed sanctions on need for Baghdad to do more to dismantle a nuclear

tional Atomic Energy Agency inspection team.

Speaking to reporters, the nuclear engineer said that

ling as the result of its 1990 invasion of Kuwait. Security Council Resolution 687, drafted at the end "From a technical point of view, we don't think of the war, says the sanctions will not be lifted before there is much left to find," said Bob Kelley, who is the council agrees that Iraq has complied with the American after a five-day visit as leader of an Internaons and also long-range ballistic missiles.

Iraq does not resurrect its weapons programs. Mr. Kelley said that if the United Nations needed to keep the sanctions in place because of problems in the

term monitoring, that would be another issue. ■ Gorbachev Scorns Raid

The resolution provides for monitoring to be sure accusing the United States of using tactics reminiscent of the Cold War, described the U.S. cruise missile attack on Iraq as "unacceptable and dangerous.

Agence France-Presse reported from Rome.

In a column published in the Italian daily La three other weapons areas - such as massiles - or Stampa, Mr. Gorbachev said the attack on the intelligence service's headquarters had shown that Washington "opted to ignore the prerogatives of the UN" and "merely gave the allies a few hours' warning, in a style because of Iraqi refusal to accept a resolution on long-Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the former Soviet leader, reminiscent of the Cold War.

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ROME - An Italian Senate panel recommended Wednesday that the parliamentary immunity of former Prime Minister Grulio Andreotti be lifted in a murder conspiracy case, some members said.

Rome magistrates investigating the 1979 murder of a journalist, Mino Pecorelli, asked that Mr. Andreotti's immunity be fifted so they could continue their inquiry.

The Senate panel's decision is a nonbinding recommendation that must now be voted on next by the Senate as a whole. The vote should prove a formality. Mr. Andreotti, who is 74 and has served as prime minister on seven occasions, had already asked the Senate to lift his immunity.

Rome magistrates want to pursue investigations into whether Mr. Andreotti may have ordered the killing of Mr. Pecorelli to block the publication of potentially damaging information.

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Scandal Hits the Spoleto Festival, Too

SPOLETO, Italy.—As corruption scandals and political earthquakes shook the country. Italians thought they could take refuge in one

of the few remaining certainties: Gian Carlo Menorit's Festival of Two Worlds.

But real life intruded Wednesday with reports that the festival's foundation chairman. faces an arrest warrant.

Claudio Cavazza, a pharmaceutical executive, is accused of making illegal contributions to the tiny Liberal Party, which controlled the Health Ministry in the previous government, to

help along approval of new drugs.

The thousands of people who revel in the festival's continuum of performances and

shows, who file through the narrow streets as musical notes bounce off the medieval walls. will not notice any difference.

But the news showed how the scandal has touched virtually every corner of fealian society -even an event seemingly as permanent as the stones of this Umbrian hill town that Mr.

Menorii chose as the Testival's home in 1958. When it opened Tuesday for its 36th edition, with a completely traditional production of Puccini's "Il Trituco" directed by Mr. Menott. things were pretty much as they always had

The elite still came: President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro, dipfomats, a cardinal, actors, opera stars and a sprinkling of nobility. It was not

affected when the news came about Mr. Ca-

A festival official took pains Wednesday to distance the festival from its foundation, which raises money and fooks for sponsors.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said charges against Mr. Cavazza would have no effect on the festival and "the biggest thing that can happen is he will resign."

Mr. Cavazza, chairman of the major drug company Sigma-Tau, was out of the country on usiness. Mr. Menotti and festival superintendent Pietro Papi were unavailable for comment. Prosecutors have snared more than 2,500 politicians and husinessmen in the scandal.

wrote, adding that the accord 'may worsen the environmental problems already existing in the United that the White House "convenient-

Environmental groups fear damage to land, water and air from production facilities near the border inside Mexico that do not ade-

ly ignores the fact that the power to regulate commerce with foreign nations is given to the Congress under the Constitution."

quires that investors accept pollution control rules but does not con-

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a consensus on two actions, officials said: extending the U.S. !esting moratorium enacted by Congress last September, perhaps for up to 12 months, and declaring that after the moratorium expires, no U.S. tests will take place unless another country tests first.

About the only matter that remains at issue, an official said, is how ready the U.S. nuclear weapons complex should be to resume testing, a matter with substantial budgetary implications. The United States now spends \$1.9 billion annually for the laboratories and factories that support U.S. muclear weapons testing.

An official said Secretary of State Warren M, Christopher, who had resisted the "no first test" plan. had shifted gears because the British, who had been lobbying for more nuclear testing, had acquiesced. The British essentially said. according to the official: "We un-derstand. We don't like it particularly, but we can live with it."

Another official said the presi dent wanted to discuss the issue with the British before deciding whether to go ahead.

Bonn Army Unit Moving to East

SANITZ, Germany — The German Army is transferring an anti-aircraft missile unit, which for 25 years was part of NATO's defense against Soviet-led forces, to a base in the former East Germany.

added, expressing his hope that the sanctions "can soon be lifted." The commander of the group, Lieutenant Colonel Hans-Joachim ident Frederik W. de Klerk was expected to meet Schubert, said Wednesday that the President Bill Clinton in Washington to argue for a unit would be moved to this town relaxation of economic restrictions against South near Rostock. The transfer of Air Defense Rocket Group 31 marks the start of redeploying German forces to the east.

Pretoria Drops Space Launcher Denel is part of the state-owned Armscor Corp., which was set up to circumvent a mandatory UN antiapartheid arms embargo against South Africa,

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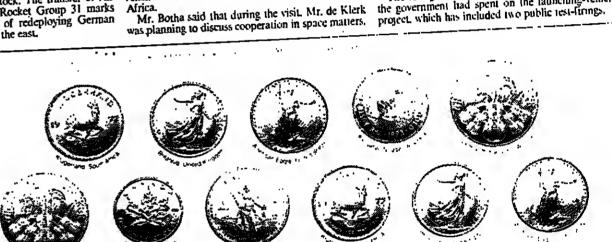
opment of a space-taunching vehicle. Foreign Minister R.F. Botha said Wednesday, clearing the way for accession to the Missile Technology Control Regime.

The largely state-owned Denel weapons company's The company said in a statement Wednesday that it would continue to market its own low-orbit, low-cost satellite but would abandon the development of a launching vehicle. "Compared to existing satellite launchers in the

world, its own manufacture of launch vehicles would not be the most economical option," the company Mr. Botha said the cancellation of the project statement read. should allay suspicions that South Africa was still

working on advanced arms systems and should open the way to international cooperation. He said Denel's missile test range at Hangklip, near

Cape Town, could be offered to foreign weapons The foreign minister declined to reveal how much manufacturers. the government had spent on the launching-vehicle



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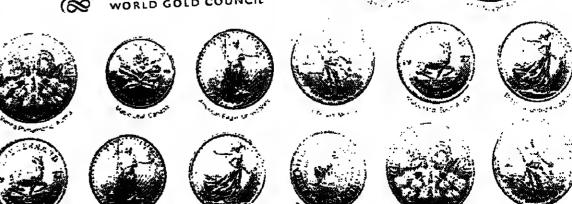
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France Plans Police For Immigration

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PARIS - Interior Minister Charles Pasqua announced sweeping police reforms Wednesday and new measures to check illegal im-

Mr. Pasqua said at a cabinet meeting that a police directorate would be formed over the airport and border police forces responsible for immigration surveillance and controlling illegal workers.

He also announced plans for enhanced cooperation between the police, under the Interior Ministry. and the Gendarmerie Nationale. under the Defense Ministry, for a national police ethics council, and for the transfer of 5,000 policemen terstreet duty.

1 The cabinet spokesman, Nicolas Sarkozy, reporting details of the meeting, said the maintenance of law and order was an "absolute

priority" for the government. Mr. Pasqua said he had set "am-bitious goals" for the new immigration police directorate. The need was underscored by "the acute nature of the problems of claudestine labor and immigration." Mr. Pas-Earlier Wednesday, the French

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refugees expelled from Germany.
Prime Minister Vaclav Klaus announced on June 24 that beginning

July I, people from six countries — Bosnia-Herzegovina, Yugoslavia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia and

Tajikistan — would need visas to enter the Czech Republic. Citizens

of other countries with large num-

bers of emigrants would need to

have a Czech sponsor, enough money and a return ticket. The gov-

emment also plans to send about

300 soldiers to reinforce its border

with Slovakia.
The Czechs have been pressing Stovakia to agree to a formal bor-

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But the Slovaks, fearful that for-

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refugee problem into their back-

ard, have refused so far. The

Czech interior minister, Jan Ruml,

has threatened to set up border

Poland agreed with Germany in

posts anyway.

A formal border would allow the

Senate dropped an amendment to the government's immigration bill that would have allowed random checks of suspected foreigners.

The upper house's law committee dropped an article introduced by the National Assembly that would have authorized spot identity checks based "on any evidence other than race that a person is foreign." The wording touched off a cabinet dispute this month, and the modification had been expect-

Civil rights groups said the amendment was a license to harass Arabs and blacks, many of whom have French citizenship

The new wording, based on a 1946 decree still in force, states: "Persons of foreign nationality must be in a position to present documents on the basis of which they are authorized to travel or reside in France in response to any request by the police."

It omits the notion of a "suspect-ed foreigner" but maintains the principle of random checks. The bill must be approved by the Senate before going back to the National Assembly. (AFP. Reuters)

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Similarly, the Hungarians have

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the Hungarian interior minister,

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More than 250,000 people receive psychological treatment each year in Germany, but the government reimburses only 2 in 1,000. The reason: The profession of psychological therapist is still not officially recognized. A draft law bas been introduced to change this: its advocates say that psychological care will otherwise remain available only to the afflu-

The need for help seems clear: Sick days attributed to psychological problems now account for one-fourth the total among German workers, having tripled since 1986.

Backers of the draft law say professional standards will weed out charlatans — those who, for example, promise psychic healing through contact with extraterrestrials. But some fear that the law, if not carefully framed, could exclude serious professionals.

Around Europe

Cinema Paradiso, Lost: It was not always the most comfortable way to watch a movie. but it certainly had its charm. As recently as the 1960s, Greece had 786 outdoor cinemas,

complete with "moonlight, jasmine, ciga-rettes, olives and outo," as The Observer of London put it. But many have given way to supermarkets, boutiques, garages and apart-ment buildings. "When we opened in 1961 we had queues that went around the block three times," says Dia Kotira, owner of Oasis cinema in Athens. Now, she adds, a full house is uncommon. In all, there are 152 open-air cinemas left in Greece, 34 of them in the

The first suicide prevention and study center in Europe has opened in Stockholm, under the auspices of the World Health Organization. Sweden, like other European countries, has a rising suicide rate, attributed largely to increasing economic hardship. Twenty thousand Swedes now attempt suicide each year. Danuta Wasserman, director of the new center, calls this "a tragedy, particularly considering that it is bappening in a welfare state."

ists in the Swiss city of Steckborn, on Lake Constance, learned that the local Roman Catholic Church was planning to renovate its 42-meter-high steeple, they were able to per-suade church officials to combine faith and efficiency. The south side of the steeple is now covered with 432 solar cells, which will generate about 12,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity a year. The output - enough for about three four-person households - is not large. but the regional power authority sees it as a most conspicuous pilot project.

The Police Complaints Commission in Am-sterdam wants riot police to wear large numbers, like soccer players, so victims of excessive police force will be able to identify their attackers. The "mobile units" fielded by Dutch cities have often been criticized for using strong-arm tactics to quell civil distur-

Russian thieves are recycling an idea used a few years ago in West European trains. Robbers on the Moscow-St. Petersburg route are gassing passengers in sleeping compartments, then taking their valuables. Travel agents recommend booking four-berth and not twoberth compartments, on the assumption that robbers will have a harder time knocking out four people than two, and on the theory that thieves would believe less affluent people use four-berth compartments.

Alarming news for communications junkies omes from France: The fax machine in the singer Nina Simone's home, near Aix-en-Provence, burst into flames recently after running nearly nonstop for three days. A bodyguard spotted the fire and it was quickly extinguished, reports Die Welt. The Hamburg daily says two conclusions are possible: Either we need bodyguards for busy faxes or — even safer — it is time to remember the good old telephone. One's ear may get hot, the newspaper notes, but it is unlikely to catch fire.

Brian Knowlton

Presidential Balancing Act in Argentina

By Nathaniel C. Nash

New York Times Service BUENOS AIRES - Much of Argentina acted like an infatuated teenager this month when the international model Claudia Schiffer of Germany arrived to promote a lingeric company. Reporters and admirers raced after her as part of the excitement that and made her frontage news for days.

President Carlos Saul Menem was not to be nounced that it was making arleft out. Although talk shows paid \$15,000 for her appearance, Mr. Menem held two private rangements with neighboring countries to send the deportees meetings with the tall blonde, 22 - at the

presidential palace and then at lunch.

The public's reaction reflected the dual audience that Mr. Menem finds himself playing to. Many cheered the flamboyant, bon vivam manner that the president, 62, has cultivated in office for the past four years. Others severely criticized him, indignant that the model was received as a visiting dignitary.

As his approval ratings hover around 45 percent, down from 70 percent 18 months ago, Mr. Menem is trying to persuade Argentines to change the constitution to permit him to run for

"The society is very satisfied with what Menem bas done, with the economic stability that he has brought to Argentina," said Miguel Angel Broda, an economist. "But it is getting impatient with the frivolity and the accusations of corruption that surround Menem's people." Mr. Menem bristled at the criticism.

"I received her because she asked for an audience." he said. "Just because you receive a

Is it a sign of frivolity that a president plays a musical instrument with a band? Such comments are mental dwarfism."

Many say that if elections were held tomorrow, Mr. Menem would win for lack of a strong challenger. But it is not that simple

His Peronist party has to win big in congressional elections Oct. 3 to give him the twothirds majority needed for constitutional change, an outcome that seems remote.

As part of his re-election strategy, Mr.

'Just because you receive a world-famous model, is that a sign of frivolity? Is it a sign of frivolity that a president plays a musical instrument with a band? President Carlos Sául Menem

Menem bopes he can improve his image in his second state visit to Washington in two years, On Tuesday, he met President Bill Clinton, an encounter that Mr. Menem's aides have repeatedly emphasized is symbolically important because it was the first meeting between a Latin

American head of state and Mr. Clinton. President Clinton praised Mr. Menem at the White House as a "real force for democracy and for human rights in our hemisphere." The Associated Press reported. Mr. Clinton spoke during a photo session with Mr. Menem.]

During the Bush administration, Mr. Menem positioned Argentina as Washington's closest ally in South America as his government re-stored diplomatic ties with Britain after the 1982 Falklands War, left the Nonaligned Movement, sent two ships to fight in the Gulf War, began criticizing Cuba for buman rights abuses and, most important, dismantled its intercontinental ballistic missile project.

Argentina now realizes that there are at least two Carlos Menems, and that the sweeping changes he has brought to the country may outweigh any disapproval of his way of life.

Once an avid tennis player, playing with such Argentine stars as Gabriela Sabatini, be switched to golf, installing a small course at the presidential residence. He regularly plays soccer and basketball with national teams. He dances the tango with television celebrities.

Mr. Menem does not seem to mind if his personal life is played out in public — as in locking his estranged wife. Zulema, out of the presidential residence and in his stormy divorce proceedings with her. And he seems almost unfazed as corruption charges swirl around a number of his appointees.

The other Carlos Menem is perhaps the country's shrewdest politician and is likely to go down in history as the president that brought rgentina back from the brink of disaster.

Faced with hyperinflation, recession, and political isolation, he used text-book economics by balancing budgets, cutting government spending, sbutting down the printing press of the central bank, and privatizing state companies. In the process, be has made the Argentine economy one of Latin America's most success-

ful.

dents' hacking, followed by the anti-corruption Japan New Party, TOKYO - Eight of Japan's bigwith about 12 percent. gest banks are lending more than The poll, which canvassed the views of 2.151 voters nationwide. 594 million to the governing Liberal Democratic Party, which is facshowed that just over half of re-spondents believed that the Liberal ing its toughest electoral challenge in 38 years, banking industry

8 Japanese Banks

Lend \$94 Million to

Liberal Democrats

Democrats and opposition parties would eventually reach a comprosources said Wednesday.

An official of the Nagoya-based Tokai Bank quoted the bank's president, Kiichiro Ito, as saying that the eight banks, including Tokai, mise on electoral reform, the issue that brought about the vote.

The falling popularity of the Liberal Democrats and a series of political scandals linking big business with politicians have made bank would evenly share the cost of the 10 billion yen loan.
"Commercial banks would consider providing loans to other political parties if asked to," Mr. Ito

funding normally a routine matter, a sensitive issue for the banks The Asahi newspaper said Wednesday that in addition to Tokai, the banks were Dai-Ichi Kan-gyo Bank, Sakura Bank, Fuji Bank, Mitsubishi Bank, Sumitomo Bank Sanwa Bank and Daiwa Bank.

ly a business transaction and not a According to news reports, the 10 billion yen is only half the amount that the Liberal Democrats have requested; the banks' reluc-The Liberal Democrats, who have been in power since 1955, are tance to give more indicated their fear of close involvement.

tary majority in a general election on July 18, which was called after In the last general election, in 1990, the Liberal Democrats borthe party lost a vote of no-confi-An opinion poll released Wednesday showed them unlikely rowed 15 billion yen (\$141 million) from banks, said Tetsuro Murobushi, an author who has written exto win a majority. About 3 in 10 poll respondents planned to vote for the party, leaving it the biggest single party in the lower house but tensively on corruption.

yet repaid 4.5 billion yen of that loan," he said. "This is to make the banks feel that they need to lend more in order to get all the money

UN Hails Troop Offer From Khmer Rouge

PHNOM PENH - The bead of the United Nations mission in Cambodia on Wednesday wel-comed an offer from Khmer Rouge commanders to merge their forces with the army of the country's new-

said. "Providing loans to such par-

ties is possible in order to maintain

freedom and parliamentary democ-

He said that the loans were pure-

in danger of losing their parliamen-

sbort of a majority, the survey by the daily Yomiuri Shimbun found. The leftist Socialist Party came

second, with 15 percent of respon-

political donation.

dence earlier this month.

ly elected government. Unexpectedly, Khmer Rouge nerrillas in the northwestern provinces of Siem Reap and Banteay Meanchay also said they would open areas under their control to UN peacekeepers, according to Lientenant Colonel John Weiland,

a UN military spokesman.
The Khmer Rouge has barred UN forces from the 20 percent of the country it controls throughout the 15 months of the UN peacekeeping mission.
The UN mission chief, Yasushi

Akashi, said that if the guerrillas

- He added: "I think they want to participate in some ways in discussions about the future of their country.

for them to participate in the na-

tional reconciliation.

The UN military chief, Lleutenant General John Sanderson, met Wednesday with Khmer Rouge generals, Michael Williams. a UN spokesman, said, declining to dis-close details or the location of the

If the talks lead to a commitment from the Khmer Rouge to turn its more than 10,000 fighters over to the new government, the union may make it possible to end two decades of conflict.

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Democ Mapping Path To Heart of Cell

Unveiling Growth Signals May Help Treat Cancers

By Natalie Angier New York Times Service

EW YORK - With a splendid convergence of discoveries from a broad range of disciplines, biologists at last have sketched out the crucial events that tell a cell it is . time to divide. They have traced the pilgrimage of a biochemical signal from the moment it impinges on the delicate skin of the cell, through to its arrival in the cell's deep nuclear soul, where the directive to multiply can be fulfilled.

In understanding this essential pathway of life after a quest of 13 years, molecular biologists are now gazing upon a fundamental revela-tion into how the body grows.

It turns out the signaling pathway of the cell is a kind of molecular comedy, in which one protein hooks up to a second protein that then jointly push a button on an enzyme that pushes a button on another enzyme that makes this knob slide into that hole.

The design works wondrously in overseeing cell growth, so well that it is shared by species as diverse as yeast, worms, flies and humans. And as a recent deluge of reports makes clear, scientists are elated at last to have cracked the puzzle of . the cellular event known as the "activation of the ras pathway."

The pathway is a series of molecular reactions that begins when a stimulatory compound in the blood system tweaks a protein on the sur-face of a cell and ends with new cell growth. The ras pathway is the principal circuitry through which a signal to divide reaches central headquarters in the cell's nucleus, although scientists believe that other subsidiary growth pathways may

At the heart of the long, intricate pathway is the ras protein, which is so central to cell growth that defects in the protein are thought to account for up to third of all human cancers. In some cases, such as tumors of the pancreas and colon, from 50 to 90 percent may result from a mutational blow to the gene that makes the ras protein. ..

N the past several months. dozens of reports on the ras pathway have appeared in major journals. At last week's annual meeting on the genetics of cancer in Frederick, Maryland, presentations on the ras cascade dominated the sessions.

There is more known now early pioneer in the study of the ras gene. There has been a great adstudying the problem, because there are things that come out in the details that are precious." Indeed, the details are the breath

and blood of the story. It is one thing to know in hazy outline what happens to make a cell divide; it is quite another to know which proteins comport with which and in what order to carry out the task.

"There are still gaps in our under-standing, and a few links are still obscure," said Dr. Robert A. Weinberg of the Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research in Cambridge, Massachuseris. "But I did manage to draw all this up in one plotious wiring diagram recently and present it at a talk." The wiring of the cell, he said, "is no longer any more maces-sible to study than the wiring of a transistor radio."

And while much of the latest work focuses on a basic understanding of the ras communications system, two papers published in the current issue of the journal Science suggest the work may be swiftly translated into real cancer

N the reports, researchers announced that, in test-tube results, they were able to block a step necessary for the ras protein to convey a cancerous signal to the nucleus. Using small synthetic peptides or drugs distantly related to Valium, the scientists prevented brane of the cell, a positioning essential if ras is to operate as the mastermind of a signaling cascade. And while the drugs can also interfere mildly with the perfor-

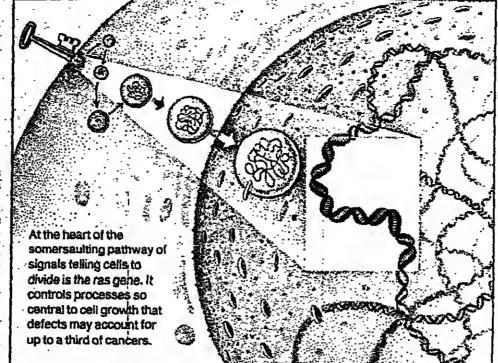
mance of the protein in healthy cells, for a variety of reasons the inhibitory effect is vastly amplified in cancer cells, depriving them of the power to divide lawlessly and returning them to a seemingly nor-

In their ability to home in on a specific part of a signaling pathway in cells, rather than merely attacking and killing anything that divides; as standard chemotherapy drugs do, the new compounds approach the silver bullet method of which biologists and doctors have long dreamed.

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sponsible for one of the two Sci. A new study indicates that many ence reports. The other study came nonmonetary factors also play an



ma, or connective-tissue cancer, called GTP from the cell's own Biologists discovered that the cache, an exchange that allows the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas and Genentech Inc. in South San Francisco.

Researchers elsewhere are seeking different Achilles' beels along the ras cascade. The initial work on the ras gene began around 1980, when ntists realized that the gene could contribute to cancer and thus merited a designation as an oncogene. Like most of the 50 other known oncogenes, the ras gene was named after the animal species and tumor type in which its nefarious effects were first discovered - in

only difference between a robust version of ras that is vital to life, and the malevolent version that being cause cancer, is a single subunit, or base pair, out of the many thousands of base pairs that make up the gene.

Normally, when the ras protein is in an inactive state, it clasps a small molecule called GDP. Upon being albowed into action by a GTP and thus in an incessantly stimulant like a growth factor, the stimulated condition - whether an protein tosses away the GDP and external signal to grow is there or picks up a more active molecule not. this case, as the cause of a rat sarco-

ras protein to pass its excitatory message along toward the nucleus.

Once its transmission chore is through, the ras protein obligingly switches itself off, using a bit of its own enzymatic machinery to transform the active GTP into the more sedate molecule, GDP. The point mutation destroys this act of selfcontrol, leaving ras always gripping

understanding by both doctors and

women of the generally accepted

reasons for this surgery.

IN BRIEF

Tylenoi and Alcohol Don't Mix: Advisory Group Seeks Warning

ROCKVILLE Maryland (AP) - A U.S. government advisory panel has recommended a warning label cautioning about the risk of rare and severe liver damage if a heavy drinker exceeds the recommended dosage of Tylenol or any other acetaminophen product.

But members of the Over-the-Counter Drugs Advisory Committee, advisers to the Food and Drug Administration, said they also planned to examine the hazards of mixing alcohol with other painkillers, such as aspirin and ibuprolen, and suggested that acetaminophen products not be singled out for labeling until those reviews are completed.

Doctors from McNeil Consumer Products Co., the maker of Tylenol, argued that such a warning label might prompt people to switch to aspirin or to nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs that can cause ulcers and internal bleeding, which are far more common. One panel member. Dr. Marcus Reidenberg, a professor of pharmacology and medicine at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, agreed that while hver toxicity from acetaminophen and alcohol his not a common problem, gastrointestinal bleeding is. Acetaminophen is usually sold in 325 milligram and

500 milligram tablets. The maximum dose is eight of the extra-strength tablets in 24 hours.

Only a Hyena Knows for Sure WASHINGTON (AP) - Female spotted hyenas are so much like males that it's hard to tell them apart.

is it a Male or is it a Female?

Now, scientists believe they know why. Solving a centuries-old puzzle. California researchers have reported in the journal Science that high levels of male hormone absorbed before birth turn female spotted hyenas into large aggressive animals and make the male hyena a second-class citizen of his own clan. Changes caused by the hormone are so thorough, said Dr. Pentti K. Suteri, professor of obstetrics at the University of California. San Francisco, that even geni-talia of the female closely resembles that of a male.

Dr. Paul Licht, a biology professor at the University of California. Berkeley, and a co-author of the study. more injections in the absence of proof that it works."

said the unusual development of the lemale spotted hyena has fascinated scientists for centuries. "Aristotle wrote about it," he said. But it look modern laboratory techniques to specifically identify the biological events that lead to the masculinization of the female.

Greenland Ice Researchers

Reach Record Drilling Depth WASHINGTON (AP) - Researchers drilling through the Greenland ice sheet reached a record depth of 10.021 feet (3.054 meters) Tuesday and have encountered a rock that may mark the base of almost two miles (3.2 kilometers) of ice.

The National Science Foundation said the research ers had been drilling for five years and had now extracted an ice core that was deposited over 250,000 cears. Lynn Simarski, a spokeswoman, said the ice. shaft was drilled about 18 miles away from an earlier effort by European scientists that reached 9.934 feet., Scientists are studying the ice cores extracted from, the two drill sites to learn about weather patterns over

U. S. Institutes Will Resume Studies on Growth Hormone

the centuries.

WASHINGTON (WP1 - The National Institute's of Health has resumed recruiting extremely short children for two growth hormone studies that had been suspended a year ago.

The studies had been challenged by the Foundation on Economic Trends as being unethical and violating federal regulations covering experiments on children. Jeremy Rifkin, the head of the group, contended that the children were healthy and that their short stature was not a medical problem to be fixed in an experiment that might do them harm.

But two outside review committees of physicians, biostatisucians and ethicists advised the institutes in proceed with the studies because so many children are already being treated with the genetically designed hormone drug. The review panels reported that an estimated 15,000 American children who do not have. classic growth hormone deficiency are receiving hor-

the ras protein from finding its proper tacke just inside the mem-

By Jane E. Brody

EW YORK - The two most common reasons for major surgery in the United States involve a woman's childbearing organs. No. I is Caesarean section, in which the womb is opened to deliver a child, and No. 2 is hysterectomy, in which the womb is removed, ending a woman's childbearing ability. Although the number of Caesar-

cans has risen in recent years, publicity about unnecessary gynecological surgery seems in have led to a drop in the number of hysterectomies. In 1990, the latest year for The new therapeutics will not be which data are available, about ready for human trials for two to 590,000 American women had bysthree years, said Allen Oliff, the terectomies down from the annual executive director for cancer repeak of about 750,000 a decade search at Merck Research Labora ago. But many experts believe the todes in West Polist, Phitosylvania, number of hysterectomies is still

... Consumer advocates and healthertheless, he said, "I'm an oncolo- care critics typically blame greed about the ras pathway by far than gist, and from my viewpoint it's the for most of the unnecessary bysterabout any other pathway in the most exciting thing I've seen in the ectomics, saying that singery is cell," said Dr. Michael Wigler of last 15 years."

Cold Spring Harbor, New York, an Jackson B. Gibbs, led the team re-hazardous remedies.

vantage in having so many people from a collaboration between the important role. The study, under-

Santa Monica, California, showed that even among members of prepaid health maintenance organizations, where doing the least costly procedures net the highest profits. 16 percent of "elective" hysterectomies were clearly unnecessary and 25 percent were of uncertain necessity. The study excluded hysterec-

tomies done to treat cancer or un-

controlled bemorrhage.

The study, published in May in The Journal of the American Medical Association, analyzed all the relevant facts preceding hysterectomies performed on 642 women ran-domly selected from a total of 5,126 hysterectomy patients who were members of one of seven health-maintenance organizations around the United States.

Before the analysis, a panel of nine doctors who are experts in gynecology and obstetrics estabished an "appropriateness" scale. rating reasons for bysterectomy as appropriate, uncertain and inap-

tomies were performed for approdoctors exhanst less costly and less hazardous remedies.

A new study indicates that many cent were rated appropriate and 28 percent were rated inappropriate.

mies. These benign tumors can enlarge beyond the size of a threemonth pregnancy and may cause excessive bleeding and anemia that does not respond to iron supplements, pelvic pain and pressure on urinary structures. In women who do not wish in have more children, a large symptomatic fibroid is an accepted reason for bysterectomy.

taken by Rand, an independent cutting the high rate of avoidable. An increasingly popular alternative steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs nonprofit research organization in bysteroctomies requires a better is a myomectomy, in which just the and a semisurgical technique called

N an article this spring in The New England Journal of Medicine, three gynecologists at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston reviewed the main reasons hysterectomies are

done. They include:

• Uterine fibroids: Fibroids account for 30 percent of hysterectodrastie treatments to try before opting for surgery include various hormones and antihormones, non-

fibroid is removed But women approaching meno-

pause might wait for nature to cally, solve the problem. Fibroids commonly shrink after menopause, and experts caution against removing those that cause no serious symptoms or operating to prevent future

 Abnormal uterine bleeding: About 20 percent of hysterectomies are done to eliminate bleeding problems that disrupt a woman's life. Before a decision to operate, an examination of the uterine lining is necessary: for example, by doing an endometrial biopsy or a D&C (dilatation and curettage) to try to determine the cause of bleeding. If no disorder is found, less endometrial ablation, in which the uterine lining is destroyed electri-

• Endometriosis: Another 20 percent of bysterectomies are done on women who have endometriosis, a wild overgrowth of uterine lining Hysterectomy is considered a last resort after failure of treatments that suppress natural estro-gen or, if possible, conservative surgery to remove the excess tissue.

 Genital prolapse: As women age, the muscles that support pelvic structures loosen and the uterus. hladder or other tissues may begin to sag. About 15 percent of hysterectomies are done to rectify this. But before resorting to surgery.

either alone or with estrogen creati and pelvic exercises.

· Chronic pelvic pain: This is the main reason for hysterectomy inabout 10 percent cases. Unfortunately, the pain is often unrelated, to any pelvic disorder, and thus the surgery does not relieve it. The Boston doctors recommend a thorough pelvic examination, for example, through a laparoscope, ultrasound or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) to try to find a cause for the discomfort.

Elective hysterectomies, even in young healthy women, can have serious consequences. Death rates range from 6 to 11 per 10,000 and postoperative complications occur. in 24 to 48 percent of women, with major complications in about 3; percent. New procedures, like vagin women are being urged to try using nal hysterectomy assisted by lapar-a pessary, a diaphragm-like device oscopy, have fewer complications. that supports the sagging structure. and involve shorter hospital stays,

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BOOKS

PICASSO AND DORA: A Personal Memoir

By James Lord. 340 pages. \$35. Farrar Straus Giroux.

Reviewed by Barbara Probst Solomon

TAMES LORD is part of a very old American tradition: the American from a good family, who has some private income, and whose soul is pointed toward Eu-rope. This fatal amour with Conti-

nental Europe — usually Italy or France — then completes a moral, emotional and creative education.
So I was instantly mesmerized by Lord's account in this quirky and particular memoir of himself as a young American in Paris, and of his complex relation in Picasso and to Dora Maar.

Dora Maar was Picasso's mistress — she had been with him since the late '30s and during the Occupation - when Lord arrived in Paris with the American troops shortly after D-Day.

The interesting part of this mem-oir is Lord and Dora, and Lord seeing Picasso through Dora's eyes
not Lord and Picasso. In recounting his 45-year obsession with
Dora, Lord creates an extraordinary portrait of the end of bohemian artistic life in France, Lord, as was Fitzgerald in "Tender Is the Night," is aware that he is chroni-

ching the end of an era:
The Second World War, unlike the First, did not beget a plentiful Parisian population of expatriate writers and artists. This later generation, far from being lost, found abundant appreciation of genius. Anyway, the high season of Parisian supremacy as a creative capital had waned. No matter, I have always been in love with autumn and

Lord's infatuation with France began in his adolescence; he read The Count of Monte Cristo," daydreamed of Paris and learned the French language — later, during the liberation of Paris, his skill in French caused the American intelligence service to station him near

Lord uses a nice Stendhalian nonchalance to describe crucial events in his life. The bit of 22-yearold luck that enabled him in meet Picasso is summed up this way: received a decoration: the Brouze west state, and was a nature interest to Ka-Star. My teammates, it appears, to East but of great interest to Ka-had accomplished something stra-ren Berbig, who was South. She

tegically advantageous, though I never knew, or wanted to know. what it was, and as a consequence the entire team came by this award.

I did not disdain to wear the red ribbon meant to single one out as a soldier of distinction. The disguise of the uniform had improved upon itself, and is it any wonder that within it, reveling in false appear-

ed myself as eligible to meet the most famous artist alive? Lord parked on Picasso's doorstep, immediately becoming one of those privileged American soldiers whom the artist agreed to meet, In an act of amazing bravado Lord instantly insisted that Picasso draw

Picasso's first drawing didn't please Lord, and, with even more bravedo, he demanded that Picasso make a second picture, which the artist also did.

When Lord first met Dora - she was 15 years older than he - she was still Picasso's favorite, soon afterward Picasso replaced her with Françoise Gilot. In addition to being the most complicated of Picasso's women, Dora Maar was a gift-ed photographer and an artist in her own right.

Lord marvelously evokes the slow days of artists summering in the south of France—one feels the heat of the hot, buggy afternoons in that last point in time before academics, grant recipients and mass

media would invade their small stuff - the jewelry Picasso gave universe. He visits Picasso in La her, his elever business advice, and Galloise, the cramped, rather ugly myriad paintings of her — she was

Lord also visits Dora in the even more awkward isolated house Piances, blind in their goal, I regard-

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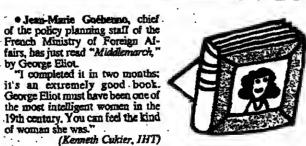
Barbara Probst Solomon, a cultural correspondent for El Pais-Madrid wrote this for The Washington
Post.

house the artist provided for Fran-coise Gilot and their two children. the model for the anguished wom-an in Guernica.

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Picasso instructs Lord to bring

Dora an extremely ugly chair—a special gift from the great artist to his former mistress. Dora retaliates undercurrents really were about by giving Lord a mesty shovel as a was the rueful, aging melancholic return gift in Picasso, insisting that Dora Maar. In his evocation of her Picasso will love and understand James Lord has created a stunning tour de force of that time, now as



BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

TN the final of the National Teams Flight C. played at the Manhattan Club, 27 West 72d Street, two players showed them-selves to be aggressive bidders. First, West doubled the one notrump opening, which by partner-a quick defeat bere, for East would ship agreement showed a long suit nerability, but then North was equally dashing. Two clubs was Stayman in spite of the double, when a heart fit was uncovered.

East might have doubled two clubs to suggest a lead of that suit.
As it was, West led the diamond Picasso is summed up this way:
To consecrate the utter fatuity eight rather than the normal four.
This was an attempt to indicate a prevented from playing diamonds and futility of my part in the war, I was suit, and was of little interest and ruffing twice in the dummy.

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San Mit terrests it arrests.

made the winning decision by play- and South brought home a vulnersing low from the dummy. Her ace ble game that was not reached in collected the king and she faced the replay. the problem of the trump suit. .

WHAT THEY BE READING

The normal play was to finesse the ten, playing for the queen to be with West. That would have led in ship agreement showed a long suit somewhere in the hand. This was a frisky move even at favorable vulnerability, but then North was equally dashing. Two clubs was saying that West held the trick. She was now doomed if West had begin with A-Q-x, but was due to survive if that player had begin with A-x or A-x-x. with A-x or A-x-x.

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Hanson To Buy Quantum

\$3.2 Billion Deal For Plastics Firm

NEW YORK - Hanson PLC said Wednesday it would acquire the debt-laden Quantum Chemical Corp. in a stock swap deal worth about \$3.2 billion. That includes assumption of \$2.5 billion of debts.

Hanson, the Anglo-American industrial conglomerate, is offering
1.176 of its American depositary recepts for each of the 36 million shares in Quantum, the leading U.S. producer of polyethylene, which is used to make plastic. Quantum was formerly known as National Distillers & Chemical Corp.

News of the offer sent Quan-News of the offer sent Quan-um's stock soaring. It advanced \$6.50 a share in trading on the New York Stock Exchange, at \$19. De-spite the dilution for current share-holders and the debt assumption, Hanson's ADRs added 12.5 cents, to \$17,125

to \$17.125. At least two-thirds of Quantum stockholders must approve the bid. Investors in the company, who have seen the value of their shares plunge from as high as \$107 m 1988, reacted favorably to the offer. Obviously, we're very pleased because it's a heck of a profit for us," said Dan Szente, assistant director of investments for the Ohio State Retirement System, which owns 2.25 million shares, or 7.4 percent, of Quantum. New York-based Quantum, which earned \$14.57 a share in 1988 but has not turned a profit since 1990, has been a victim of depressed prices for petrochemi-cals and a mountain of debt. Its results have worsened every year since 1989, when the company took out a \$1.15 billion loan to finance a

Bank of England Clout? **Governor Could Set Policy on Pound**

By Erik Ipsen

LONDON - In the heart of the City of London's financial district on Thursday morning, Eddie George steps inln one of the most prestiginus and least powerful high posts in all of Britain, that

of governor of the Bank of England.

With Britain now the only nation among the Group of Seven leading industrial nations that has yet to set its central bank free to establish moretary policy, the change of the guard at the Bank is more a matter or symbols than substance.

Departing what is affectionalely known as the Old Lady of Threadneedle Street is Rohin Leigh-Pemberton, the patrician gentleman farmer and politician turned banker. Arriving is a man whn could not possibly pose a more striking contrast. Mr. George is a postman's son whose 30 years at the bank have now taken him from deputy governor to the top.

Reluctant to upstage his predecessor before the changeover, Mr. George bas to date confined himchangeover. Mr. George bas to date confined hum-self largely to pronouncements nn detail. Last month he polished up his image as a bard-liner on inflation by announcing that he would forego a raise throughout his five-year term. He also set a more egalitarian tone to management by rejecting his traditional due in the company car, the gover-nor's Bells Borge in favor of his larger. nor's Rolls Royce, in favor of his Jaguar,

With opinion running strongly in favor of granting the Bank of England real power and independence. Mr. George will be keen in demonstrate that he and the bank are up to the task. "He could well find himself governor of an independent cen-tral bank before his term is out," said Patrick Minford, an economics professor at the University of Liverpool and one of the treasury's new panel of

Opinion on both the inevitability and even the desirability of that development is deeply divided.

The Bank of England is a Mandarin, elitist and anti-populist institution," insisted David Smith,

who once worked at the hank and is now an economist with the brokers Williams deBroe. To give the bank power to set interest rates, argue critics, would be to put it in charge of an economy about which it possesses all-too-little first-hand experience. Christopher Dow, the bank's former economics director, faults the bank's insularity and says it needs to be more open, with more of what he calls, staff comings and

The bank has far too many Eddie Georges men who arrived fresh from the university intent on staying for the duration of their professional lives. By announting Rupert Pennant-Rea as Mr. George's replacement as deputy governor, the government took a hold step to let fresh thinking into the bank's labyrinthine headquarters. Mr. Pennant-Rea comes to the job from the Economist. where he was editor.

While the new team at the bank is widely expected to be more forceful in expressing its opinions, many economists insist that the broad anti-inflationary thrust of their unterances will remain un-

"I am not convinced that the bank will be any better since they see things pretty much the same way the treasury does," said lan Amstad, an econ-omist with Bankers Trust, "They are still fighting yesterday's oattle of inflation."

Outsiders also fault the bank for timidity. "In the last 25 years the heads of the Bank of England have never taken a strong stand nn anything, insisted Mr. Smith, In the late 1980s, for instance, when the government embarked on a program of massive economic stimulus, the bank, whose joh it is to defend the principle of sound money and low inflation, was silent. Similarly, it was widely criticized for giving the treasury bad advice during the currency crisis of last September which ulumately saw the pound forced out of the European exchange-rate mechanism.

One prominent economist criticized bank nfficials for a lack of courage in pressing their points with the treasury. They are certainly not the sort of people I would want in go tiger hunting with.

On the other hand, with the blessing of Norman Lanions, then chancelinr of the Exchequer, the bank stepped into the void left by the pound's ouster from the exchange-rate mechanism in September with high-profile comments about the importance of steady currency and low inflation.

The consensus is that greater power lies within reach of Mr. George, but it will take years and numerous changes within the bank to bring it out of its long period of isolation.

We have tried Keynesianism, laissez-faire, central planning — we have even tried letting the Bundeshank set our monetary policy for us, said Kevin Gardiner, chief economist for S.G. Warburg. "I expect the next panacea we try will be an independent central bank."

Chairman Fears Fiat Debt Will Triple in 1993

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service

TURIN - Fiat SpA, one of Italy's richest husiness empires, forecast Wednesday that its debt would nearly triple, to about \$7 billion, by the end of the year.

The woes affecting the the dynasty came as a further illustration of Italy's likely problems in pulling out of a recession that has been exacerbated by Europe's slowdown. Another big Italian company, Ferruzzi Finanziaria SpA, announced a large rise in its short-term debt Wednesday, (Page 13)

Fiat's pronouncements showed how much the company is gambling on a forecast turnaround in mid-1994 in the European and Italian auto markets to justify massive investment in new facilities and in a new model range.
In Turin, the Fiat SpA chairman.

Giovanni Agnelli, said after his company's annual meeting that debt running at 3.84 trillion lire (\$2.49 billion; at the end of last year had risen to more than 6 trillion lire this month.

Mnreover, he said, it could reach a "maximum" of around 10.8 trillion lire this year, its highest in a decade, unless the carmaker shed nonauto assets worth 22 trillinn lire tn 3,1 trillion lire, Fiat execuuves said its Toro Assicurazinne insurance company and Rinascente retailing subsidiary seemed the most likely assets for sale.

Mr. Agnelli ascribed the dramatic increase in debt from only 385 hillion lire one year ago to the company's amhitious investment program at a time when Fiat's share of the dwindling European and Italian car markets is falling. Earlier this month, Fiat posted a

sharply lower profit of around 507 billion lire and reduced its dividend. Mr Agnelli said the investment and research program this year would cost over 7.7 trillion Regarding Italy's recent wave of

political corruption cases, share-holders pressed Mr. Agnelli and chief executive officer Cesare Remiti for details about the bribes senior Fiat managers have ac-

Audi was unprofitable in the first half of 1993. Page 13.

knowledged paying to politicians to secure public works contracts. More than 10 top executives, including finance director Paolo Matuoli and chief operating officer Giorgin Garruzzo, are under inves-tigation and Mr. Romiu himself has been told his role in the affair is under scrutiny.

Mr. Agnelli insisted that kick-backs paid by the company over the past 10 years and totaling an amount he said was as high as hillion lire had not damaged the company's profitability.

Asked how it was possible that some of his most senior executives could have been embroiled in the scandal without his knowledge or consent. he said the amounts involved were so small that "the chief executive officer and the chairman of the board is not involved in this kind of thing." Fial, which made operating

profit of 218 hillion lire in 1992, has suffered from a slump in its core Europe this year.

INTERNATIONAL MANAGER

U.S. Pension Funds Seek A Voice in Japanese Firms

By James Sterngold

OKYO - America's big pension funds, which have assumed enormous influence in America's corp rooms recently, tried this week to take on Japan's corporate rooms recently, tried this week to take on Japan's corporate rate samural and west agreed. The occasion was a uniquely Japanese corporate ritual—1901 companies simultaneously held their annual meetings Tuesday, in public halls across neously held their annual meetings Tuesday, in public halls across the land, the winds of shareholder democracy blew, giving investors a chance, in theory, to question and vote on management policies in this period of recession, falling profits and buge losses.

The only problem was that

since the meetings were held at close to the same time, even the close to the same time, even the fleetest shareholder could attend - dissent.

but one or two. And even those phalanx of company executives guarding the meetings and got to raise questions received crisp replies.

Japanese companies say they follow this practice to protect

themselves against sokahya, gangsters who specialize in extorting payments from companies by threatening to disrupt their annual meetings. In outsmarting the sokarya, however, the companies also throttle legitimate questioning.

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Japan are owned by other Japanese companies in the form of cross-shareholdings, another means that the companies use to insulate shareholdings, another means that the companies use to insulate themselves against outside pressure. The companies always support each others' management.

Undaunted, a number of major American pension funds have

Undaunted, a number of major American pension runds have sought to use their growing shareholdings here to influence policies. A group of these institutions did what by Japanese standards is unthinkable—they voted Tuesday against some important resolutions proposed by the boards of Japanese companies. None expections proposed by the boards of Japanese companies. ed to overturn resolutions, only to send a message of dissent.

Nonetheless, a handful of the companies contacted insisted they

had received no nay votes.

Richard Koppes, the general counsel of the huge California
Public Employees Retirement System, said: "That's very disturbing Either the companies misinformed you or our votes did not

make it through for some reason."

But one executive said the Japanese could not ignore the American institutions for long. "In the Japanese style, the response at those meetings is always the same: dead silence." Aron Viner, those meetings is always the same: dead silence, "Aron Viner, those meetings is always the same: dead silence," Aron Viner, those meetings is always the same: those meetings is always the same: dead stience. Aron Viner, executive vice president of Global Proxy Services, said. "But the nature of the silence has been changing. It's now an interested. CURRENCY & INTEREST RATES

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche

ROME - The Italian government, seeking to boost the credibility of its privatiza-tion program, on Wednesday pledged to begin the sale of seven big state companies

within a month.

The companies include the oil giant Agip

SpA, two banks plus a medium-term credit
institution, an insurer, the state electricity
concompany and a relecommunications con-Meanwhile, Germany and France an-

and it to expand and take part in interna-tional investment, while the French cabinet cerns. Others, like the telecommunications the shares in Telekom in the short term, and

authorized Prime Minister Edouard Balladur to use special legislative powers to speed through parliament a bill selling off some of France's industrial and banking giants.

Sale of the Italian concerns bad been promised. A statement from Prime Minister promised. A statement from Frince Frince Carlo Azeglio Ciampi's office said he bad appointed a five-person committee headed by a top treasury official to oversee the disposals, and begin the procedures to sell them within 30 days.

The previous government had said some nounced privatization plans. Germany will partially privatize its phone company to case like IMI, a medium-term credit institution, the treasury owns the conclusion of the disposals could take years. In some cases like IMI, a medium-term credit institution, the treasury owns the conclusion.

companies STET and Agip, are controlled through the government's two holding con-The Italian privatizations may end up competing for potential huyers with the

French government, which last month said it was putting 21 state firms up for sale.

Germany's Telekom, with 330,000 employees and income of \$28 billion last year, will offer public shares starting in 1996.

privatized later.

The government will maintain at least h

Italy Pledges to Open Sale of State Firms in Month legislation will prevent controlling interest

In addition to yielding up to \$50 billion in new financing, the goal of the privatization was to enable Telekom to take part in international consortia developing phones and communications in Eastern Europe and elsewhere where. German law currently eliminates Telekom from most such ventures.

The French caninet authorized Mr. Balla-The post office and a publicly held postal bank, which together employ 390,000, will be privatized later.

The reflect cannier audicized by, Banadur on Wednesday to use a constitutional provision making it possible to adopt a privatized later. spokesman Nicolas Sarkosy said.

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(Reuters, AP, AFP)

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agreement on a standard might

have to wait until after the United

States and Europe choose their

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vision because the manufacturers want the new VCRs to sell in those

Some executives have said that

digital videorecorders will reach

the market as early as next year.

But others say that it will take until

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Economist Thomas Runiewicz of the WEFA Group in

don't think there'll be any immediate job grawth in manu-

jobs, he added. Factories shed 39,000 jobs

Latour Vineyard Sold To France's Artemis

Compiled by Our Staff From Despatches

PARIS — The prestigious Bordeaux vineyard Château Latour was returned to French ownership Wednesday after more than 30 years in the hands of Allied-Lyons PLC.

Allied-Lyons announced the sale of its 93.2 percent stake in Château Latour, valued at 735 million francs (\$133 million), to Artemis SA, controlled by the French entrepreneur François Pinault. No price was given.

Allied-Lyons has disposed of its Kendermann wine business in Germany and also announced on Wednesday the completion of the sale of the U.S.-based Frederick Wildman importer.

David Jarvis, chief executive of its Hiram Walker unit, said Allied-Lyons remained com-mitted to California premium

Château Latour is one of four estates given first-growth status in the original 1855 classifica-

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tion of Bordeaux wines.

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The wine, grown on 60 hectares (150 acres) in the commune of Pauillac, sells for about \$100 a bottle. Production is limited to 350,000 bottles a year.

The deal came on news from Bordeaux that sales for the first nine months of this year bave risen 17 percent from the like period last year but are still down 6 percent from the 1990-91 level.

France has faced increasing export competition Imm its traditional foes Italy and Spain, and also California. Australia and Chile.

In late 1991, when Allied-Lyons first put Château Latour on the block, it was estimated to be worth about \$242 million. Prices of wine properties have tumbled in the interim.

Mr. Pinault, whose retail empire includes the Au Printemps chain, said the deal permitted the return to France's patrimony of of one of the oldest Bor-

(AP. Reuters)

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VCR Firms Plan Digital Rules Japanese electronics companies are expected to join. ahle to play them. The digital machines should be ahle to record at

By Andrew Pollack

New York Times Service
TOKYO — The world's leading consumer electronics companies agreed to jointly develop standards for videocassette recorders that will use digital technology to provide crisper pictures, industry officials said Wednesday. The new VCRs would be able to record high-definition television broadcasts as well

as conventional signals.
It has previously been reported that Japanese consumer electronics companies have been discussing sening standards for digital VCRs. Now it is expected that an agreement will be announced within a few days to organize a formal con-ference to develop the standard. according to a spokesman for one

company.

Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. and Sony Corp. of Japan and Philips Electropics NV and Thomson SA of Europe are the leaders of the effort, but at least six other

expected to join.

Digital technology, which re-

cords information in the ones and zeros of computer language, prom-ises to provide cleaner pictures than existing analog VCRs, much as digital compact disks do not have the hisses and pops found on analog records.

Digital videotapes could also be copied without loss of quality. The

manufacturers are expected to discuss ways of preventing excessive copying so that movie studios and other providers of video software will support the new systems.

Agreeing on standards would be a way of reducing development costs and avoiding costly format wars such those that developed between Sony's Beta and Victor Company of Japan's VHS videorogades. Japan's VHS videorecorders.
The executive said that the envi-

sioned standard would be half the width of VHS tapes, meaning that the new digital VCRs will not be



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car husiness. Mr. Agnelli predicted that new car sales would slide 22 percent in Italy and to percent in **U.S. Orders**

Fall, Boding Ill for Jobs

WASHINGTON - Orders to U.S. factories fell in May for the third month in a row. leading analysts to predict on Wednesday that there will be little growth this summer in the number of manufacturing "A third decline does mean

snme weakness in upcoming months and industrial produc tion will slow down," contended Evelina Tainer of Prime Economic Consulting in Chicago. "It doesn't bode well for employment in the manufac-

Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania, concurred. We're in a pretty sluggish economy. he said.

facturing.

People are still uncertain and don't want to make commirments about orders or

in May on top of a loss of 65,000 a month earlier, leaving manufacturing employment at the lowest level in 28 years.

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and will have to be read as follows: The Corporation has an authorized capital of fifty million United States (USI) 50,000,000, - to consist of ten million (10,000,1000.-) authorized shares of a par value of five United States Unllars (USD 5. -) per share."

The shareholders are advised that a quorum of 50% is required for the item of the agenda of the Extraordinary General Meeting and that a decision will be taken at the majority of the two thirds of the shares present or represented at the meeting, each share is entitled to one vote. A shareholder may act at any meeting by proxy. For the company.

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Economic Worries

The Dow Jones industrial averlige slipped 2.77 points, to 3.516.08.

ofthough advancing issues on the N.Y. Stocks

New York Stock Exchange out-numbered decliners by an 11-8 ratio. The Nasdag over-the-counter index was up 2.88 points, to 703.95. and the Dow Jones transportation average jumped 19.33 to 1,549.92. We saw real strength among Nasdaq issues and some transportation stocks, but it wasn't enough to offset lingering worries about the economy," said Lou Todd, a partner at J.C. Bradford & Co.

Oracle Corp. was the star in the over-the-counter market, surging 3 to 49% after it reported higherthan-expected fiscal fourth- quar-ter earnings of 47 cents a share, compared with 20 cents in the prior year. "The Nasdaq rose because of Oracle." said Richard Ciardullo. director of trading at Eagle Asset

Meanwhile. UAL Corp. and Southwest Airlines Co. led trans-port issues higher. UAL will end service to six U.S. cities, the latest step in a cost-cutting plan announced earlier this year, traders said, UAL rose 114 to 12394 and Southwest was up 11/4 at 43%.

Stocks were constrained by concern about the economy. "It looks like the recession may not be over. and that means earnings may not be as strong as forecast," said John

concern about the economic recov- day that factory orders declined 1.4 ery offset strength in the over-the- percent during May, the third concounter market and a rally in air- secutive monthly loss, as demand weakened in the aircraft and defense industries.

YPF SA paced the New York Stock Exchange actives, off & 81 21%. The formerly state-owned Argentine oil company made a suc-cessful debut Tuesday, closing at 20% in its first day of trading on volume of more than 34 million. The company's initial offering of 160 million American depositary receipts was priced at \$19 each. Sunshine Mining followed, up 4

Quantum Chemical was third, up 612 at 19 after agreeing to be acquired by Hanson PLC under 8 merger agreement valued at about 53.2 hillion. Hanson's ADRs were up 1/8 at 17%.

Atan led the American Stock Exchange actives, rising 14 to 44. On Tuesday, the company announced signing of a three-year contract with IBM, valued at \$500 million. under which Big Blue will manu-facture the Atari Jaguar, an interactive multimedia entertainment

system. McCaw Cellular Communications led the OTC actives, up 14 at

MECA Software Inc. slumped 314 to 614. ChipSoft Inc. and MECA terminated an agreement under which ChipSoft was to acquire MECA. The transaction ended because of a threatened challenge of the move by the Justice Department's antitrust division. (Bloomberg, UPI)

RATES: A Message for Germany

ed States. "It's hard to generate and to 5.7345 French francs from jobs from exports when many European countries have actually negative growth and Japan has no

growth. he said. The president's comments bolstered hopes that the Bundesbank

Foreign Exchange

would lower interest rates when it imeets on Thursday, said Ed Neminski, an analyst with Nomura Analysts said that Mr. Clinton

was laying the groundwork for the G-7 meeting. "It would be good for down from \$1,5115. the Germans to cut tomorrow, otherwise they will arrive in Tokyo with the cupboard looking exarremely bare, said an analyst at Japanese bank. The German dis-count rate is currently 7.25 percent and the Lombard rate 8.50 percent. . At the close of trading in London, the dollar was at 1.7015 Deutsche marks, up from 1,6932 late on

5.6950 francs. The British pound weakened to \$1,497 from \$1,5055. But the U.S. currency was lower against the Japanese yea, declining

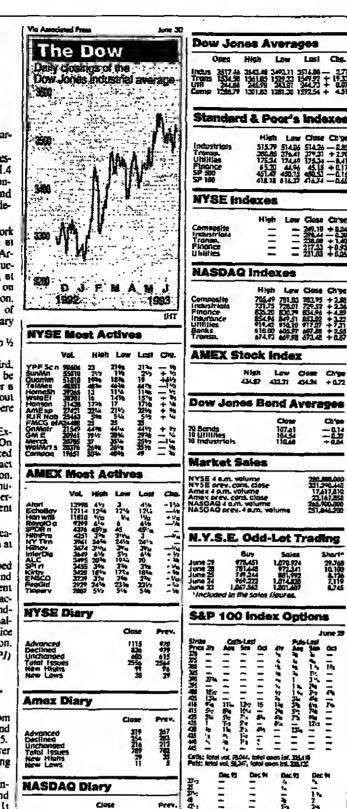
to 106.25 yen from 107.135. In New York, the dollar contin-ued to climb against the mark and other European currencies. It closed at 1.7049 DM, up from 1.6891 DM, and at 1.5135 Swiss francs, up from 1.498 francs. The U.S. currency stood at 5,7485 French francs, up from 5.6900 francs, and also advanced against

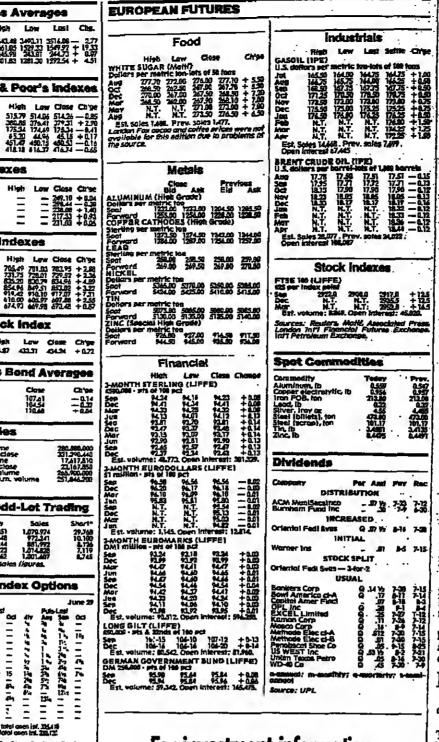
Elsewhere in the currency mar-kets, the U.S. Federal Reserve Board moved aggressively to support the sagging Australian dollar after it came under pressure following a fall through the key technical level at 66.5 U.S. cents.

in late afternoon, up from 106.35 Tuesday. It also gained to 1.508 on Tuesday.

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The Japanese yen remained firm against the dollar, trading at 107.2





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Ryder Plans Aviation Unit Spin-Off MIAMI (AP) — Ryder System Inc. said Wednesday it will spin off its aviation business as a new, publicly traded company and will focus on

highway transportation. Ryder Aviation Services, a parts-and-overhanl business that represent-

Ryder Aviation Services, a parts-and-overhanl business that represented nearly 25 percent of the parent company's \$5.2 billion in revenues last year, was assembled from acquisitions in the late 1980s, but has been hurt by the airline industry's buge losses.

"Wall Street has continually looked unfavorably at a trucking company in the aviation segment," said Ryder analyst Thomas Galvin of C.J. Lawrence. "I think this should be seen very positively."

The Dallia-based company, still unnamed, will be formed by a stock distribution to all Ryder shareholders. Its assets will shrink from a current \$1.2 billion to about \$200 million to focus on airline-related current \$1.2 billion to about \$800 million to focus on airline-related services, said Ed Houston, Ryder's chief financial officer. Ryder said it

would take a \$169.4 million restructuring charge in the second quarter.

Philippines Bond Lures Investors

NEW YORK (IHT) — The Philippines Development Bank Wednesday successfully floated the country's first bond issue by a state-owned corporation without a government guarantee since the 1980s debt crisis.

The Eurobond issue was increased by \$75 million, to \$175 million, to

The curobond issue was increased by 5/3 million, to 51/3 million, to meet demand from institutional investors who with the fall in U.S. rates are limiting worldwide for safer, high-yielding paper.

The five-year notes pay 8 percent semiannually and were priced at 99.434 percent to give an 8.14 yield. The spread of 310 basis points in interest over U.S. Treasuries is 10 points less than the government itself paid in February. William Rhodes, vice chairman of Citibank which managed the issue, said this reflected "growing international investor confidence in the country."

Rohm to Demand Flash Royalties

TOKYO (Reuters) — The Japanese semiconductor-maker Rohm Co. said a U.S. court had approved basic patents on flash memory chips owned by its U.S. subsidiary, and that it would shortly ask Intel Corp. to

pay royalty fees.
"No makers can make flash memories without using Rohm's patent."
Junichi Hikita, managing director of Rohm's chip headquarters, said. He did not say how much money would be asked from Intel. A spokeswoman at Intel's Japan unit, however, said the court had ruled the products were not identical. A Toshiba spokesman also denied that there could be such a broad-ranging patent.

IBM to Build Game System for Atari

WASHINGTON (WP) — In a move that will have Goliath working for David, International Business Machines Corp. has contracted to build a new game system for the smaller Atari Corp., the companies said

Wednesday.

The deal left IBM analysts shaking their heads. "Yes, it's nice to use manufacturing capacity," said Curt Rohman, an analyst at CS First Boston Inc. in New York, "but is this what IBM has come to?" He said the revenue from the Atari deal will be negligible.

Under the \$500 million, three-year contract, an IBM plant in Charlotte, North Carolina, will manufacture and distribute Atari's Jaguar, an advanced video game that can respond extremely quickly to what a player does and will include CD-quality sound.

For the Record

Westinghouse Electric Corp. said its board elected Michael Jordan chairman and chief executive. .

A French court ruled on Wednesday that the American millionaire
Tom Billman could be extradited to the United States to answer charges of fraud and embezzlement in connection with a bank scandal, justice

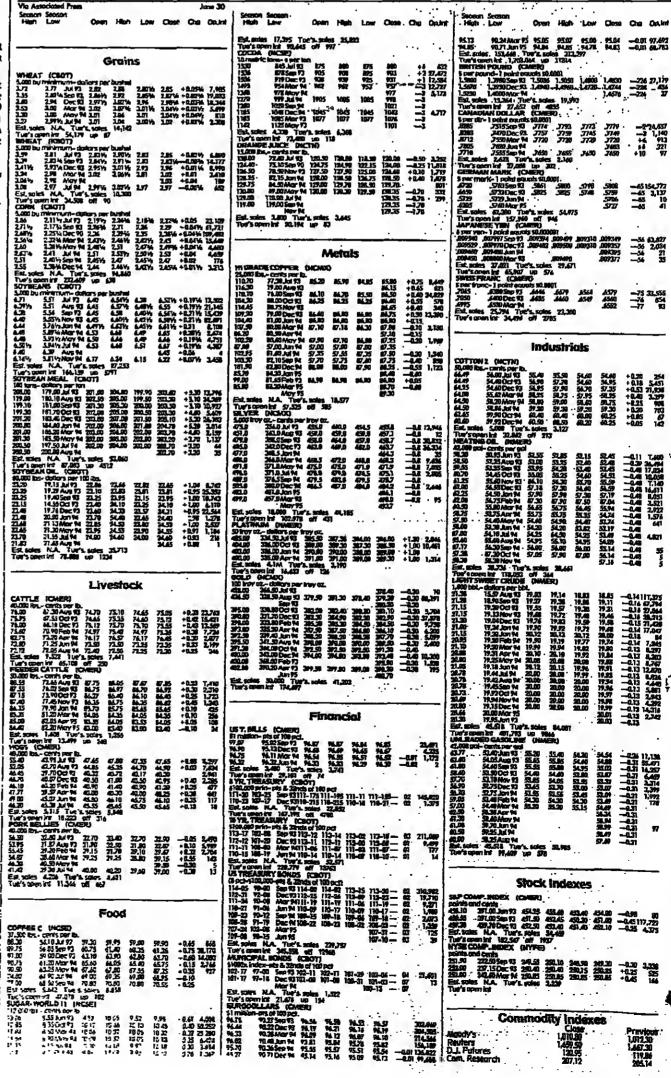
General Oriental Investments Ltd. and RIT Capital Partners Group said Wednesday that a registration statement has been filed by Newmont Mining Corp. for a public offering of 9.65 million shares of Newmont held by the two firms.

Northwest Deal Advances

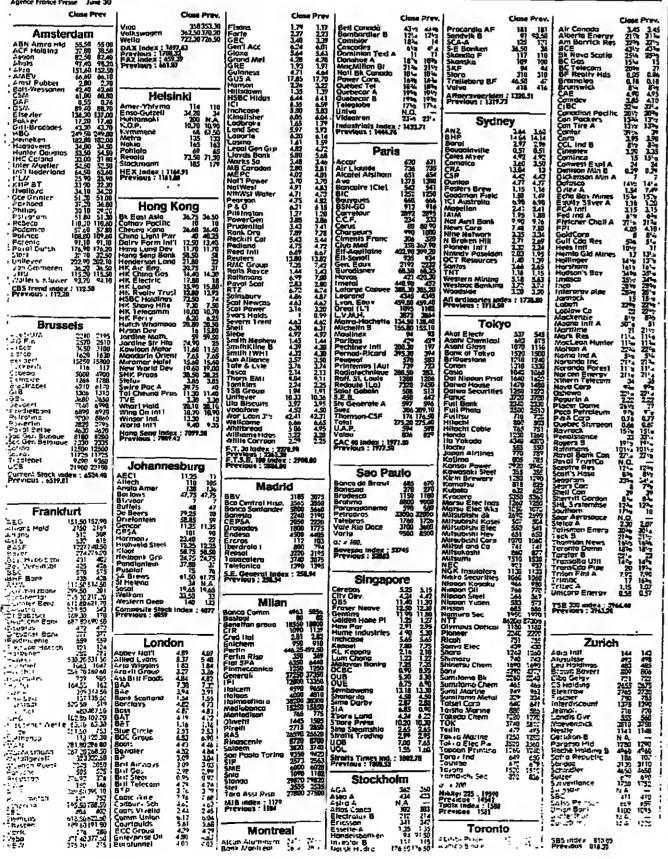
CHICAGO — Northwest Airlines has backing from about 90 percent of hank lenders to defer most of the payments on \$1.9 billion in deht, a source familiar with the restructuring plan said Wednesday.

Two of the airline's suppliers. United Technologies Corp.'s Prait & Whitney and Airhus Industrie, have yet to agree on another part of the restructuring, sources said. Those two suppliers, which took part in a \$250 million emergency loan to Northwest last December, were expected soon to agree to a plan to defer payments. Northwest also is struggling to iron out a deal with its unions to cut labor costs by about \$900 million in the





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Audi Falls Into Loss In 1st Half

INGOLSTADT, Germany -Volkswagen's Audi AG unil estimates that it posted a pretax loss of :198 million Dentsche marks (\$116.5 million) in the first half of 1993 after a profit of 315 million

DM in the like period a year carlier. Nevertheless, the carmaker sees some chance of ending the year with a profit.

Franz-Josef Kortuera, appointed this year to succeed Ferdinand Piech as president of the troubled Volkswagen empire, said Andi could pull back into profit this year, but he warned that this would take "very great efforts and clear

Whether we succeed depends on the future market trends, which are not at all promising at the mo-ment," he added.

Sales in the first half of the year plunged to 6.05 billion DM, down 29.3 percent from n year earlier, as a result of the slump in demand. Failing orders and the introduction of short shifts cut production to 173,712 units from 254,530 in the

corresponding 1992 period. In n move to adapt costs to falling demand, Audi will cut 4,000 jobs this year, 3,000 at its plant in Ingolstadt and 1,000 at n facility in Neckarsulm. At the end of June. Audi employed 34,697, 2,500 fewer

than at the end of 1992. The company has also cut invest-ment, which fell 17.4 percent, to 270 million DM, in the first half. Mr. Kortuem said Audi planned to invest 700 million DM in the next several years in a motor factory in Hungary announced late last year. (AFP. Bloomberg)

French Joblessness

Hits Record 11.5%

PARIS - The number of

unemployed in France rose by

29,200 in May, to a record of

3.14 million, or 11.5 percent, the Labor Ministry said on

The April rate had original-

ly been reported at 10.9 per-

cent but was revised upward to

Il.4 percent to take into ac-

count new estimates. The

number of people without a

job for at least a year jumped by I.l percent, 10 941:400,

while unemployment among the under-25 age group grew

2 Ferruzzi Chiefs Resign Shares Plunge 10.4% as Deficit Grows

Cumpiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

RAVENNA, Italy - Two members of Italy's second-richest family quit key jobs in the Ferruzzi family holding company on Wednesday as shares of the debt-laden food-and-chemicals conglomer-

The personnel changes coincided with the Ferruzzi Finanziaria SpA's announcement that its 1992 losses amounted to 1.66 trillion lire (\$1.08 billion), up from the previously reported 1.51 trillion lire.

Shareholders were told at the annual meeting that the increase in the losses was due to n writedown of 320 billion lire at a foreign holding company controlled by its principal operating subsid-

iary, Montedison SpA.
Ferruzzi's shares fell 10.43 percent on the Milan stock exchange, to 446.50 lire.

Furious shareholders berated management at the company's annual meeting for not warning them about the straits into which the concern had sunk in connection with its debt of 31 trillion lire. As a result of the crisis, creditor banks have have taken over the management of the company.

Arturo Ferruzzi resigned as chairman of the company and Carlo Sama, his brother-in-law. stepped down as chief executive officer. Mr. Ferruzzi was the only son of Serafino Ferruzzi, who built up a grain business that another brother-in-law, Raul Gardini, later turned into a giant con-

Before he formally stepped down, a gray-faced Mr. Sama delivered a further blow to shareholders, who have seen the value of their investments more than cut in half in less than a month.

According to figures released at the meeting. Ferruzzi Finanziaria's short-term debt soared to 4.60 trillion lire at the end of May from 1.24 trillion at the end of last year.

Debt figures for the companies controlled by Ferruzzi were not available, nor was an explana-

non of the sudden sharp rise. As a result. Ferruzzi managers said the company would now have to cut its nominal capital by

reducing the face value of the company's shares which are denominated at 1,000 line. In spite of intense criticism at the meeting, Mr.

Sama defended the group's extensive investments which led to the massive debt. The investments of the past two years were not

folly of grandeur, he said. They were necessary to compete on international markets. Guido Rossi was confirmed as the group's new chairman and Enrico Biondi as its managing direc-

tor. They were brought in by creditor banks. Mr. Rossi is a lawyer and former head of Consob, Italy's stock market watchdog committee.

The investments of the past two years were not folly of grandeur.'

Carlo Sama, former chief executive

Mr. Sama told shareholders that sales rose 29 percent, to 5.69 trillion lire, in the first quarter from 4.42 trillion lire a year earlier. Sales in all of

1992 were 19 trillion lire. Gross operating income, or profit before deprecaation, financing charges, provisions, and tax, rose 48 percent, to 718 billion lire, in the first quarter.

Mr. Sama told shareholders that the debt load was the result of rapid expansion engineered by Mr. Gardini between 1987 and 1990. He specifically mentioned Mr. Gardini's build-up of a stake in the insurance company La Fondiaria Assicura-zioni SpA and the hostile takeover of the chemical group Montedison in 1987.

Mr. Gardini, in a letter published last week. defended his leadership of the group, saying net debt was a manageable 7.8 trillion lire in 1991 when family squabbles drove him out.

(Reuters, Bloomberg, AP)

British Rail Warns of Red Ink subsidies of more than £607 million and was still 21

LONDON - British Rail, due to be sold by the government starting next year, has fallen deep into unprofitability, and its chairman warned on Wednesday that it did not have enough money to stop the

assenger network from deteriorating.
Sir Bob Reid reported a pretax loss of £163.9 million (\$244.5 million) for the year through March 31 against a £24.6 million loss in 1992. At least £850 million yearly would be needed merely to maintain the existing network, he said:

"Our financing limit for 1993-94 means that we cannot afford to invest at that level." he said. "Maintaming the infrastructure has to be our first priority Tor the money that is available. More needs to be spent to prevent the railway deteriorating, with an increasing number of speed restrictions and a general reduc-

percent less than the level of support British Rail was getting a decade ago, after adjusting for inflation, he

Most of British Rail's passenger services will be sold off as franchises to the private sector, but many lines will continue to be subsidized. The track and signal wan contained to be substituted. The track and signal infrastructure will be kept with a new public authority. Railtrack, and the new operators will have to lease trains from British Rail.

British Rail's customer revenue last year fell marginally, to £3.12 hillion from £3.15 hillion a year ago.

Operating costs rose to £3.71 billion from £3.65 hillion. These were offset by the operating subsidies of £607.6 million, up from £522 million.

Of British Rail's three passenger divisions, only its InterCity long distance unit made an underlying operating profit without subsidy, one of £10.9 million. The or pounds needed for new capital projects, he said, Government subsidies rose 29 percent, to nearly stockholders that made made an operating profit.

£1.2 billion, last year but this included operating carning £103.1 million.

FRANKFURT -- Speculation of ment news conference. a cut in German interest rates persisted on Wednesday ahead of this week's meeting of the Bundesbank's policy-making council in Leipzig. ■ Inflation Worries

Dealers on the German money market generally ruled out a cut in the Bundesbank's key discount and Lombard interest rates on Thursday, especially after the interest rate on the central bank's open market operations declined only marginally Wednesday.

Talk of Rate Cut

In Germany Grows

The Bundesbank, pursuing a policy of tiny cuts in these rates, allowed the minimum rate on its securities repurchase agreements to fall to 7.58 percent from 7.59 percent.

However, some economists believed Bonn's efforts to rein in publie-sector spending and comments from Bundesbank officials indicating they were not unduly concerned about foreign-exchange rate levels may signal a rate cut.

"The situation is quite favorable for a rate cut. The dollar has weakened slightly, and the government's package of savings measures is likely to be accepted," said a Deutsche Bank economist, Ulrich Beckmann.

Economists also noted that the Bundesbank probably needed to widen the gap between its current minimum securities repurchase rate of 7.58 percent and the 7.25 percent discount rate, used for another kind of secured loan from the Bundesbank to commercial banks and the effective floor rate of the German money market. The Lombard rate, the ceiling is 8.5 percent.

One securities trader said the Bundesbank had no reason to cut interest rates. He said the government's savings package, which was unveiled Tuesday, was not a reason for the Bundesbank to ease, noting that the proposals were only a declaration of intent which had not yet been agreed.

The plan foresees slashing 21.04 hillion Deutsche marks (\$12.4 hillion) from federal spending in 1994, with savings rising to 27.39 billion DM in 1995 and 28.75 hillion DM in 1995 and 28.75 lion DM in 1996.

Finance Minister Theo Waigel told German television the savings plan should pave the way for the Bundesbank to lower interest rates. of think we have opened room for the Bundesbank, although it must make that decision uself.

The government spokesman, Dieter Vogel, echoed those remarks, We can point to spending cuts as a

Ahead of Meeting prerequisite for easing interest rates." Mr. Vogel said at governasked what the government is doing to promote lower interest rates, we can point to current spending cuts."

> The Bundeshank welcomes the recent disappearance of the risk premium built into French interest rates and would not mind if they fell below German rates.

Otmar Issing a Bundesbank Council member, told the French newspaper Le Monde in an interview published Wednesday that while German inflation was declining this year, it remained "much too high." He added that it was falling more slowly than the Bundesbank expected.

"If France is able to get its rates below those in Germany, there won't be any sad faces at the Bundesbank. Mr. Issing said. (AP. Bloomberg)

Germans Loath to Lose Mark

Agence France-Presse

KARLSRUHE. Germany - Germans oppose the aboli-tion of the mark by an overwhelming majority, according to a survey to be published Thursday, just as the supreme court prepared to launch an investigation into the legality of the Treaty on European

Union.

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A poll of 1.513 voters found that 59 percent opposed the single EC currency planned under the Maastricht accord. and only 31 percent are in favor. the Hamburg weekly Die The poll also found 80 per-

cent of Germans want the Maastricht treaty to be submitted to a referendum. But 53 percent said they would vote in favor of the agreement in such a poli. The survey confirmed grow-

ing anxiety about the impending loss of the mark, but also the public's continuing support for the pan-European cause.

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 Britain's fledgling economic recovery became stronger in June, with orders and output rising in manufacturing, according to a survey to be published on Thursday. The Purchasing Managers' Index rose to 53.7 percent from 53 percent in May.

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• The EC Commission has approved 6.4 million European currency units (\$7.68 million) of British government aid to Leyland Daf Vans Ltd.

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 Spain entered a recession at the end of 1992, the national statistical Signet Group PLC. office said, adding that output fell 1.1 percent from a year earlier in the first quarter of this year,

• Folkker NV said it expects a loss in the region of 150 million guilders (\$79 million) in 1993 because of restructuring costs,

• The East German mark officially passed into history at midnight Wednesday, three years to the day after German monetary union.

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Interest Raises Profit at GEC

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON - General Electric Co. said its pretax profit rose 4.1 percent in the year ended March 31, helped by a 33 percent rise in

interest income. The defense, engineering and telecommunications company, which is not related to the U.S. concern of the same name, said pretax profit rose to £863 million (\$1.30 billion) from £829 million in

the previous financial year. Income from deposits and invest-ments advanced to £134 million from £101 million the year before.

Sales slipped to £9.41 billion from £9.43 billion, reflecting the winding down of a delivery program to British Telecommunications PLC.

The company ended the year with a £2.2 billion cash pile and a £12.2 billion order book, hut said it had cut 9,600 johs during the year despite its expansion. Lord Prior, the company chairman, said GEC's performance was

"satisfactory" given the difficult economic conditions in Continental Europe and in several other coun-(Bloomberg, AFP, Reuters)

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Community would then propose specific changes to remove the impediments and create more free-market competition, officials said.

Top Community officials, including Sir Leon Brittan, the trade negotiator, and Hans van den Broek, the foreign affairs manister, will meet in Tokyo with a Japanese delegation led by Yoshiro Mori, the trade and industry minister, on Tuesday. The next day the leaders of the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Britain, Italy and Canada will open their summit meeting in the Japanese capital.

Top Community officials, including Sir Leon Brittan, the trade negotiator, and Hans van den disputes going on in many areas really inhibited front to Japan. "Said Nigel Gault, an economist in the Loudon office of DRI/McGraw-Hill, an economic consulting firm.

In no area is Europe more concerned about trade with Japan than in automobiles. Under Brittan, the trade negotiator, and Hans van den Brock, the foreign affairs minister, will meet in Tokyo with a Japanese delegation led by Yoshiro Mori, the trade and industry minister, on Tuesday. The part devices leader of the United Surv Mon, the trade and industry minister, on Tuesday. The next day the leaders of the United States, Japan, Germany, France. Britain, Italy and Canada will open their summit meeting in the Japanese capital.

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"We don't reject the idea of putting maximum pressure on Japan to reduce its surplus as a percentage of GDP," said a European trade official in Brussels. "We agree with the U.S. on the contract of th the aim, and we haven't openly criticized the U.S. measures. But we have a different style in our approach to cutting the current account

surplus."

Japanese officials have sought in recent weeks to isolate the United States in its efforts to impose numerical targets on its imports to Japan by portraying the Clinton administration's approach as counter to the principles of free trade. But it is self-interest rather ideology that appears to have driven the wedge between the United States and Europe over the issue. "If the Japanese markets are opened European business will have to fight for its share," do the European Roundtable, a Brussels-based association of leading business executives. "But one hopes there are no special arrangements the between the U.S. and Japan that might be done with Europe's expense."

In no area is Europe more concerned about trade with Japan than in antomobiles. Under an informal agreement with the European Community, Japan has voluntarily limited car sales in Europe over the past several years to allow European carmakers time to prepare for the planned lifting of all import restrictions at the end of the decade.

In April, at a time when the Community was predicting a decline in car sales for the year of 6.5 percent from their 1992 level of 13.5 million, Japan agreed to reduce its exports to Europe.

6.5 percent from their 1992 level of 13.5 million, Japan agreed to reduce its exports to Europe, which in 1992 were 1.2 million, by 9.4 percent. But as a deeper-than-predicted recession has gripped the Continent this year, car sales in Europe have fallen sharply.

As a result, the Community is asking Japan has a result, the Community is asking Japan has agreed to negotiations the second week of July, but has suggested that it is willing only to discuss a figure for next year rather than respecting this year's agreement.

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TAIPEI — The Taiwan government, seeking to boost faltering economic growth, said on Wednesday it would allocate more than \$2 billion to stimulate private investment and

high-technology industries.

The state's postal savings system will be offer 40 billion Taiwan dollars (\$1.5 billion) to small and medium-sized companies in the form of low-cost loans, said Vincent Siew, chairman of the Council for Economic Planning and Development. The government set aside 30 billion dollars in similar loans for small and medium-sized enterprises over

the past three years.

The government will set aside an additional 20 billion dollars to fund development of the high-technology industries such as aerospace and electronics, Mr. Siew said. The funds are part of an economic stimulus package designed to maintain economic growth in the face of a weak global economy and planned cutbacks in government spending.

Other parts of the package, including five-year tax breaks for some high-technology industries, the opening of state land for industrial use and easing of restrictions on trade with China, were announced earlier in June.

Mr. Siew said the package also envisaged turning an area of Taiwan's western coast into a free-

China Fires Central Banker

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BELIING — Deputy Prime Minister Zim Rongii emerged with increased economic power in China Wednesday following a government shake up that

removed the governor of the central bank.

Mr. Zhu, a champion of capitalist-style market reform, will become head of the People's Bank of China in addition to his other dunies, said a Beiling-controlled newspaper in Hong Kong that is often used for sensitive announcements. The newspaper said the change was made in order to fight

economic overheating and financial disorder.

The former head; Li Guixian, was apparently made a scapegoar for the nation's banking crisis, marked by explosive credit expansion and a depreciating currency.

The newspaper said the Communist Party's rating Polithuro had decided to call a national economic conference to deal with economic problems. Mr. Zhu apparently figures prominently in this task.

A meeting of the 189 people at the top of China's power pyramid has been put off until the end of the year, the newspaper said, giving the government and Mr. Zhu enough time to attempt to whip

wayward provinces into line on fiscal matters.

Localities have funded huge increases in fixed investment, fueling inflation and increasing the record budget deficit.

The standing committee of the National People's Congress is currently meeting here. China's parliament has called for tough measures to clamp down on inflation, state television reported. "The financial situation is relatively serious," Li Hao, vice director of the parliament's finance commit-

tee, was quoted as saying.

"The finance committee believes we must now take strong effective measures to carb inflation by strictly controlling the scale of fixed-asset investment, new loans and the growth in money supply," Mr. Li said. He told the parliament's standing committee that state revenues have not kept pace with growth, and treasury-bond sales are very

Show, the stanon said.

The official Xinhna news agency quoted a legislator, Cai Cheng, as saying: "Poor financial management and weak controls on banks are two of the major reasons for the country's present financial problems."

(Reuters, AP, Bloomberg)

Japan Air Lines Expects to Break Even

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TOKYO — Japan Air Lines Co. said Tuesday it expected that it would be able to avoid lesses in the financial year ending March 31, 1994 as a result of a drastic restructuring plan announced earlier this year.

But the airline warned that it was not likely to post a current, or pretax, profit.

In the previous financial year, it had a current loss of 55.70 billion yen (\$523.5 million) and a net loss of

The airline predicted revenue of 1.33 trillion yen in the current financial year, up slightly from 1.28 trillion yen in the previous year, partly due to the introduction of new routes. An executive of the company also said

the airline expected the global economy to recoverslightly in the current financial year.

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The airline recently announced an extensive belttightening capital program as well as cost-cutting
measures for the five-year period ending in March
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The plan includes delays in the introduction of new plane models, reduced investments in facilities, a cut in ground staff and an increase in the number of non-lananese cabin attendants.

As part of the broader move to cut costs, the airline announced this spring that it had closed five sales offices and three reservation centers io North America.

Construction Jobs Post Fall in Japan

Bluomberg Business News

TOKYO — Public construction orders at Japanese companies are falling, the government reported Tuesday, signaling that two spending packages aimed at boosting the economy have failed to revive

growth.

The Construction Ministry said government orders to contractors totaled 434 billion yen (\$4.08 billion) in May. That was down 4.5 percent from May 1992 even though the government said that two massive spending plans released over the past year would target public construction prejects.

"It shows how little the packages have done," said Bernard Simon, a senior analyst at Jardine Fleming Securities in Tokyo, "Public orders just aren't coming through."

While construction orders from the private sector have been weak throughout Japan's two-year recession, the decline in government orders in May is the first in six months. It came despite a 13.2 tril-

hon yen spending package announced in April.

Economists say the packages have not channeled enough money into areas of the economy that would spur the sort of public demand needed to revive growth.

Overall, construction orders at Japanese contractors totaled 1.26

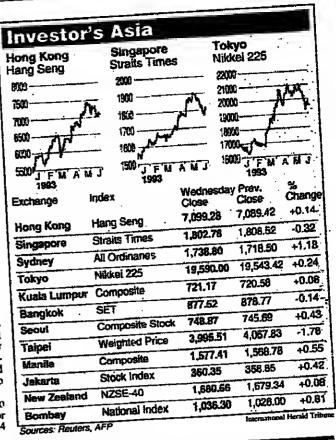
crillion yen in May, down 17.3 percent from a year earlier, the Construction Ministry said.

The numbers are the latest in a string of poor economic data released in Japan this week showing declining consumption, weak indus-

trial output and using joblessness.

The release of weak orders hits Japan's construction industry just as it is reeling from news Tuesday that executives from four well-known contractors were arrested for allegedly paying kickbacks to secure public works contracts.

The Construction Ministry also reported that housing starts for May totaled 114,637 units, up 0.4 percent from a year earlier.



Very briefly:

Sony Corp., Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Pioneer Electronic Corp. and seven other Japanese companies formed a high-definition televison laser-disk venture called Hi-Vision Software Corp. It plans to release 30 films on HDTV laser disks this year.

 Japanese exports of home video recorders and color television sets shumped 17.3 percent in May, to 1.1 million units, reflecting poor shipments to the United States, Hong Kong and China.

Shanghai Petrochemical Plant, one of nine Chinese state companies

expected to be listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, became a limited-liability corporation called Shanghai Petrochemical Co. It also formed a new company. China Petrochemical Shanghai Jinshan Development Co., to which it transferred noncore units including construction, design and machinery.

 Tsann Knen (China) Enterprise Co., an appliance maker, became the first Taiwan-owned company to list on a Chinese stock exchange, with 58,000 shares on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange.

 South Korea's current account was in surplus in May for the first time this year by \$239.4 million.

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Blue Jays Steal 2d From Orioles

By Mark Maske Washington Post Service

BALTIMORE — It was a night the Baltimore Orioles will remember if they fall just short in the American Ccague East race this season.

A game well on its way to producing an invigorating victory in-stead vielded a horrific defeat, as the Toronto Blue Jays railied with two ninth-inning runs Tuesday night to escape with a 2-1 triumph after Ben McDonald took a two-hit shutout and a (4) lead into the ninth. Although the division-leading Blue Jays began the game atop the

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major leagues with a .283 batting average. McDonald had dominated. He was on the verge of winning his third straight start and crafting his first shutout of the season. The Orioles had squandered one

scoring chance after another against starter Pat Hentgen, but they got an RBI single from Jeffrey Hammonds in the fourth. That, it seemed, would be enough.

Then Roberto Alomar's single, a wild pitch and a walk to Paul Molitor finished McDonald, Manager Johnny Oates went to left-hander Brad Pennington, not right-handed ofoser Gregg Olson, to face the left-landed-harring John Olerud, now -hitting .405,

That backfired. Alomar stole third base. Olerud dumped a single into right to tie the score and Tony Fernandez bounced a hit through the right side of the infield to get Molitor home from second.

"Well, we play pretty aggres-sive." said the Blue Jays' manager, Cito Gaston, "If Robby gets thrown out, that's no problem. We'll just come back tomorrow and see if we can win again. You can't play this game afraid."

Olson came on to escape further damage, but the Orioles couldn't recover. Their frustrating night saw them get five runners to third hase who didn't score.

McDonald was charged with more than one earned run for the first time in his six starts this

month, while the fourth-place Orioles were left with their first threegame losing streak since May 28-30. And, having lost the first two games of the three-game set, they fell seven games behind in the East.

■ In other games, The Associated

and his first for New York - to hand visiting Detroit its eighth straight loss

walk hy Steve Howe. The victory moved the Yankees

past Detroit into second place in

ing for five runs that inning. Chip Hale, who had three of Minnesota's 15 hits, tied it with a single. ton's seven-game winning streak.

Kansas City. Canseco said earlier in the day

Boston on May 29.
Athletics 8, Angels 7: Brent

"We stole this one," Hentgen

Press reported: Yankees 4, Tigers 3: Wade Boggs led off the bottom of the 10th with his first homer since last Aug. 4 —

Rockie Bohby Munoz pitched 3½ hitless innings, striking out Travis Fryman with the hases loaded to end the seventh after the Tigers had tied on a bases-loaded

the East, three games behind Toronto while Detroit fell four back. Indians 8, White Sox 2: Kenny Lofton hit his first grand slam in the majors, against visiting Chica-go, and Cleveland matched its longest winning streak of the sea-son with its fifth straight victory. Twins 7, Mariners 5: Kirby Puckett singled home the go-ahead run in the sixth as Minnesota, playing at home, beat Seattle by rally-

Brewers 7, Red Sox 6: Milwaukee scored four unearned runs in the ninth and stopped host Bos-Rangers 4, Royals 3: Rookie Dan Peltier, taking Jose Canseco's spot on the roster, blooped an RBI sin-gle that capped a four-run rally in the eighth as Texas beat visiting

surgery is likely, was caused by his pitching in an already-lost game in

Gates' single drove in Ruben Sierra with two out in the bottom of the 11th and Oakland edged California.



Shortstop Travis Fryman made Paul O'Neill pay for a stolen base, but it was the Yankees who won, on Wade Boggs's homer in the 10th.

Phils Outslug Cards, 13-10, to Halt Skid

The Philadelphia Phillies were

back to abusing pitchers, which was a good thing for them. "We needed all the runs we could get," their manager, Jim Fregosi, said after the Phillies outscored the Cardinals, 13-10. Tuesday night in St. Louis to end a three-game losing

The Phillies broke the game open with six runs in the sixth inning and led, 12-5, before the Cardinals made it close with five runs in the that a torn ligament in his right last three innings. Luis Alicea hit-elbow, for which season-ending ting a three-run home run in the

> The Phillies' first three hitters, Lenny Dykstra. Milt Thompson and John Kruk, each had three hits. producing four doubles and five RBIs. Jim Eisenreich got three

leaders were held to one run in the first game of the four-game series against the second-place Cardinals. who are 71/2 games back again. During their losing streak, the Phillies scored just six runs.

"We all knew we could hit." Eisenreich said. "It's just a matter of

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going out and doing it. It seemed like it was a night for hitting." The Phillies' starter, Ben Rivera, was the only one of nine pitchers in the game to leave smiling. He won for the seventh time in eight decisions despite allowing five runs and seven hits in five innings.

Giants 3, Dodgers 1: John Bur-kett became the NL's first 12-game winner, and San Francisco's Willie

Angeles.
Robbie Thompson doubled and scored in a decisive two-run first

inning, and hit his ninth homer to account for the other run off Orel Hershiser. Reds 3, Astros 0: Barry Larkin homered to back Tom Browning's

745 shutout innings as Cincinnati beat visiting Houston. Braves 6, Reckies 4: David Jus-tice came out of a 1-for-16 slump

ith a bases-empty homer and an RBI single in Atlanta. Atlanta got three runs in the

third on five straight two-out hits, Cubs 10, Padres 5: Mark Grace hit a two-run homer in the seventh that put Chicago ahead, 5-3, and the visiting team rallied twice to welcome back Mike Morgan,

Grace was 3 for 5 with three RBIs and three runs scored, and Rey Sanchez was 4 for 5. Morgan, who came off the disabled list earlier in the day, allowed three runs — all on Phil Plantier's two homers and seven hits in six innings.

Expos 9, Pirates 2: Moises Alou, Marquis Grissom and Larry Walker hit consecutive homer in the seventh as Montreal stopped visiting Pittsburgh's three-game winning streak,

Mets 10, Marlins 9: Rookie Jeromy Burnitz doubled in the 12th and scored on Tim Bogar's sacrifice fly as New York outlasted host

The Marlins' Greg Briley tied the score in the bottom of the ninth

played in daytime and not prime Cuomo Joins Talks time, which had 195, but with a spectacular 53-point share. For the last all-U.S. World Series — Minnesota versus Atlanta in 1991 — New York Times Service the rating was 24, more than six NEW YORK - Concluding points higher than the Bulls-Suns. In marketing, Major League Baseball Properties is expected this

Don't Start the Dirge

For Baseball — Yet

New York Times Service

TEW YORK — Uncle Sam in his star-spangled top hat and striped trousers and snowy goatee, and the Statue of Liberty, that distinctive femome with tiara and sandals, were sitting on stuffed chairs in their living room, watching television. "I must confess," said Uncle Sam to

This scene took place in a cartoon drawing by Mischa Richter in a recent issue of the New Yorker magazine. But could it be that the sports tastes of America had so shifted that the National Pastime had moved

Could it be that we have so snipped away at our roots, and, certainly

then, at our sense of ourselves to make such an admission? Could it be that we are more entranced now with Jordan and Barkley and the National Basketball Association final and the league's draft on Wednes-

attention spans brought on by televi-sion, with a need for quicker, metropolitan gratification. Uncle Sam is moving away from pastoral baseball?

Once, as Jacques Barzim wrote in the 1950s and which has been quoted

unendingly, it was accepted with little question that "Whoever wants to know the heart and mind of America had better learn baseball." Must

"I think it's just a bandwagon effect," said Donald Fehr, the executive director of the Major League Baseball Players Association. "The NBA playoffs were exciting. But the baseball attendance figures don't indicate

Attendance in the major leagues through games of last Sunday was 31,386,954, a rise of 24.3 percent over last season. While the two expansion teams, Colorado and Florida, have bulked up that figure — the Rockies are averaging 56,000 a game, the Marlins 40,000 — attendance when those

two teams are not included is still 10.4 percent better than last year.

Attendance secords in the big leagues have been set in six of the last

Average attendance is about 30,000 a game. In the year that Barzun wrote his perceptions of baseball and country, 1954—often thought of as a heyday of baseball and the year in which the Say Hey Kid made the

world's greatest catch - average attendance was, surprisingly, only about

THE TELEVISION rating for the Bulls-Suns series was the highest in NBA finals' history, at 17.9 and with a 33-point share of the TV audience. But it is still below even the lowest rating in history for a World

Lady Liberty, "I'm starting to prefer basketball to baseball."

into another era - and crowned a new champ?

Young Griffey and Old Nolan and the Vantage

Could it be that with the shorter Point

here's been such a change as that cartoon suggests.

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Series, which was the 1970 Balti-

more-Cincinnati five-game set,

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And, as of this writing, thoroughly

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And while basketball has be-

come engrossing, baseball remains a potent attraction. It's just that the

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Not so fast, Unc.

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that a threat exists in which the New York Yankees would abandon their home in the Bronx and perhaps New York, Governor Mario M. Cuomo has begun a mayear to sell nearly \$3 billion in signature caps, mugs, wrist bands and other paraphernalia, the highjor push to keep the team in the city and is looking especially at a 30-acre railyard on the western edge of midtown Manhattan as the possi-

But there are warning signs, to be sure: demographics tell us, for example, that in the young males sec-tor of ages 12-17, baseball's nationble site of a new stadium. The governor's concern was unal television, viewership is down 24 derscored by the fact that he ar-percent from three years ago. And basketball is up 31 percent, pro George M. Steinbrenner III, the football up 16 percent. team owner, to discuss possible construction of a new Yankee Sta-While basketball and football have been marketed prodigiously

dium at the site. better than baseball in recent years . While threats of departure have - the baseball owners have acted been consistent, this time there apnot only as if they hate their players, but hate each other, and the pears to be a special sense of prgency. For the first time since the late 1980s, the Yankees have a winning fans, too - and while basketball, particularly, lends itself to swift, team, yet have continued to see a lance and sis that baseball cannot equal, there concern among fans over issues like safety, parking and location.

Incloded in the meeting, a person close to the governor said Tuesday, will be Rupert Murdoch, the media executive. The person, who insisted on anonymity, said Murdoch was invited to explore whether he might build an "entertainment center" — television studios or an arena —on the site to give the vastly expensive project a financial anchor.

Picks of the Litter Sit and Wait, Nervously on Eve of NBA Draft Asked if he would accept less money from the Magic than he would from anoth-er team, Webber said: "I don't want to be a

TROY, Michigan - Five of the country's top college players sat in a hotel conference room, nervously contemplat-ing their fare in Wednesday night's Na-tional Basketball Association draft.

"Wouldn't you be nervous?" asked Jamal Mashburn, the University of Kentucky star who is expected to be among the top four picks. "You could end up on one coast, or another. You don't know what's going to happen, until it happens."

Chris Webber, the player expected to be

the No. I pick in the draft, which was to begin at 2300 GMT, joined Shawn Brad-ley, J. R. Rider, Calbert Cheaney, and Mashburn at a day-before news conference. But none of the players could answer for certain the one question they were asked most often: "Where do you think you will be selected?"

The Orlando Magic, with the No. 1 pick, were expected to take Webber, teaming him with center Shaquille O'Neal to form an imposing front-court combination.

It has been speculated for weeks that Orlando might trade the pick, particularly to Golden State, which owns the No. 3 pick and covers either Bradley or Webber. But the Magic must be careful in trading for more high-priced players because of salary-cap problems. So unless n last-minute three-way deal developed, Wehber ap-peared headed for Disney World. And he sounded confident enough to handle the

ressure that comes with being No. 1. Maybe this is a cocky attitude, but I feel that if you don't pick me, you're missing out," said the 6-foot, 9-inch (2.05-meter) forward who decided to enter the draft after his sophomore season at Michigan.

"I would love to play for Orlando, I'm not going to lie. But there are a lot of good players in here, and none of us have to brown-nose to be picked on a team. We're all good. we've all proven ourselves. If Jamal gets the first pick, I'm just going to say. 'Well, they missed out on me.' But they can't go wrong with Jamal. They can't go wrong with me. They can't go wrong with Shawn Bradley."

Bradley, the favorite to be chosen No. 2, by the Philadelphia 76ers, is the draft's higgest curiosity. Having spent the last two years on a Mormon mission in Australia, he will enter the league untested hy recent game competition.

Bradley said he weighed 245 pounds

(111 kilograms) and that he would spend the summer working on his endurance and strength. But during his one season at Brigham Young, where he averaged 14.8 points. 7.7 rehounds, and 5.2 hlocked shots, he led the collegians in blocked shots and showed admirable agility for a player his size.

"Whether I have an incredible impact on the game, or whether I'm a flop, giving 100 percent is all I can do," he said. "A baskethall was the first haby toy I had. Having two years off and being able to put things in perspective helped me realize how much I love the game. My hunger and desire are back. The skills are there. It will just take a couple of months to get them back."

Should Webber and Bradley be chosen

1-2, the Warriors appeared to be torn be-

Hardaway, a 6-7 guard from Memphis State. The Dallas Mavericks, at No. 4, were expected to take either Mashhurn or Hardaway, whichever remained. But, there was a slim chance that the

Mavericks' new coach, Quinn Buckner, an Indiana graduate, might be tempted to take Hoosier star Cheaney. That would really throw the draft in a new direction. Sam Schuler, the Warriors' director of player personnel, said his team was still trying to work out a three-way deal to move up in the draft.

"We're doing what every team in the league is doing: talking and trying to make a wise basketball decision," Schuler said. "Our needs are for a hig player. If we were fortunate enough to move up to No. I, you could make a case that either Webber or Bradley would fit in with us. At that point, we'd have to make a decision."

If the Magic took Webber, current players Dennis Scott or Brian Williams may have to be traded to create room under the salary cap for the rookie.

have to sit out. I just want to make sure that whatever I get, I'm worth it." Everything would be much clearer Thursday morning. But Cheaney spoke for most of the players when he said, "As the draft gets closer, I'm getting more and

bad guy and say, 'I want this, I want that.'

"Really, I don't even want this, I want that."
"Really, I don't even want to know what they're asking for. Some people 'might' think that's naive, but if you have common sense, at these salaries, you should be able to live well for a long time. And I think I have common sense. I don't want to get caught up in the figures. I don't know if I'll have to sit our. I just want to make such

more nervous. I know tomorrow I'll be a nervous wreck."

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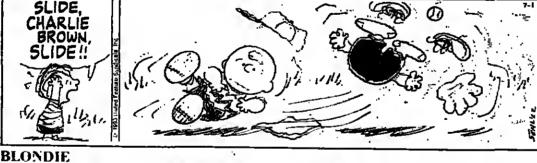
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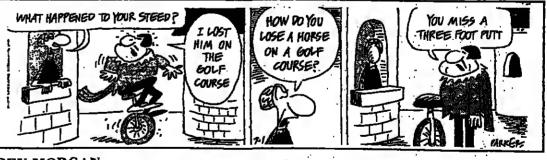




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Sampras, Painfully, Dethrones Agassi While Becker Outlasts Stich

Courier, Edberg , Also Gain Semis

WIMBLEDON, England - With his shoulder aching and the Centre Court crowd cheering wildly for his opponent, Pete Sampras kept his cool Wednesday and held on for a five-ser-victory over defending champion Andre Agassi to reach the Wimbledon semilinals.

The top-seeded Sampras, who was treated several times by the trainer for the inflamed tendon in his right shoulder, staved off a furious comeback by Agassi to win by 6-2, 6-2, 3-6; 3-6, 6-4 in 2 hours, 48 minutes.

Earlier, on Court One, third-seeded Jim Courier reached the Wimbledon semifinals for the first time by beating fellow American Todd Martin 6-2, 7-6 (7-5), 6-3. And two-time champion Stefan Edberg, the No. 2 seed and oddsmakers favorite, swept past unseeded Cedric Pioline of France 7-5, 7-5, 6-3.

It was the first time since 1927 that the top four men's seeds had made it to the semifinals. On Friday, Sampras will face Boris Becker and Edberg will play Courier.

Sampras overcame considerable adversity in order to beat Agassi. Besides his shoulder problems, he had the overwhelmingly pro Agassi crowd to contend with Even Sampras's errors drew wild cheers.

Agassi's fans included Hollywood entertainer Barbra Streisand, who sat in the players' box and frequently jumped to her feet to lead the applause. After winning a key point, Agassi would often pump his fists and look over at his

Agassi appeared to have the momentum afterwinning the third and fourth sets, but Sampras regained the advantage when he broke for a 3-2 lead in the final set.

Sampras had two match points at 5-3, but Agassi saved both. In the next game, however, Sampras served out the match at love. He served three aces in a row -- his 20th, 21st and 22d of the match — to go up by 40-0 and finished with a good serve that Agassi returned

"He raised his game a level and I couldn't answer," Agassi said. "That's the bottom line." Agassi -- and the crowd -- looked dazed during the first two sets as Sampras dominated, serving and volleying with authority and playing steady if unspectacular shots from the base-

line. Sampras took the pace off the ball, and Agassi couldn't find his rhythm or timing. "I didn't want to get in a slugging match with. Andre," Sampras said. "I just wanted to make him work."

Agassi made his move at the start of the third set when he broke serve for the first time for a 2-0 lead. At that stage, Streisand and many other Ians gave Agassi a standing ovation.

I was just determined to fight until I could pull things together, "he said. "Once I got the

break on him, it allowed me to believe I could

Pumped-up, Agassi swept through the third. and fourth sets, punctuated by a crushing re-side-out backhand passing shot to break Sam-pras and force a lifth set.



Pete Sampras kept his cool if not his feet in holding off Andre Agassi and his wild bunch.

"After he broke me in the third set. I started thinking about my shoulder," Sampras said. "I started sloping and hanging my head a little hit. But it was something I could play through and I just told myself to suck it up for the last set. It was more mental than anything."

Once Sampras got the service break, he was in charge - even though he took a painkiller and winced as the trainer treated his shoulder during the changeovers.

"Pete is the kind of player who steamrolls players," Agassi said. "When he got up that break, it didn't seem like he slowed up at all." As for Streisand, Agassi, said, "It's always nice to have a close friend be here to share in a victory or a defeat."

Sampras said he would receive more treatment on his shoulder but expected to be ready for Friday's semifinals.

Courier has won the French Open and Australian Open twice. But he has never had much success on grass; reaching the Wimbledon quar-

to go out there and swing away and see what

happens."

tennis' equivalent to a run-off election. But the results could not be the quarterfinals on the strength of a hig serveand-volley attack, but Courier managed to keep him at the baseline with his strong ground-

When Martin did come in, Courier was often an idol," Stich had said in an ioterready with passing shots. He also capitalized on Martin's double faults on several key points.

Martin's one chance to make the match interesting came when he earned a set point with Courier serving at 45 in the second set. But Martin squandered the opportunity when, on the fourth shot of the rally, he sailed a forehand way beyond the baseline

Courier held serve and, in the subsequent tiebreaker, hit a forehand return winner down the line to win it. 7-5. He then dominated the third set.

in the women's semifinals Thursday. Stelli Graf, the top seed and defending champion, plays Conchita Martinez and Martina Navratithe fine started a while ago; but this is where it gets really exciting the said. "No one was thinking that I had any chance, but I've got lova, the No. 2 seed and nine-time champion. faces Jana Novotna, Both Graf and Navratilova have reached the semifinals without losing a set. In five matches, Navratilova has dropped

The Odd Couple of Germany Play Up a Storm on the Court

By Ian Thomsen

International Heraid Tribane WIMBLEDON - The German question moved across the foreign lawn on four uneven less, stopping once to bow diplomatically before its host. The bow seemed only half sincere: the red half. Then the question continued along until the net actually divided it into two proponents, equal in the sense that each n tennis.

The quarterinal match at Wimbledon between Boris Becker and Michael Stich was started before a largely silent gallery, which reacted as if watching government at work in another language. In the 1980s in was never this complicated but Becker has been seeking to regain power for two years now, almost exactly two years, ever since Stich knocked him loose. They might have been more than cordial be-

fore: now Stich is too dangerous.

Friends we are not. Becker said recently. "But we also are not enemies. We respect each other. and that's as much as it can get. I

From different points of view they play the same game, allowing wakes of their tremendous serves to carry them toward the net. The first set went to Becker after his break of Stich in deuce of the 11th game; the second and third were Such's in tiebreakers which after such a long campaign, serve as tennis' equivalent to a run-off elecdisputed -- it was 7-5. 6-7 (7-5). 6-7 (7-5), 6-2, 6-4 - and at home one

side was trumpeting the other. Boris is for very many people view published recently in the German edition of Playboy. "I am an example for some."

The point he was trying to make surfaced only in the fourth set, as Becker was rising up as he absolutely had to in conquering Stich's serve. Becker's chair was turned to face the court, while Stich's was as he had found it, backed up against the urnpire's ladder, facing nothing. They sat and listened to a chorus of "Boris. Boris, Boris." The same would not have been said of Michael.

Only one year separates them in age, but Becker is much older. Such was 16 when Becker broke through unseeded at Wimbledon in 1985. For another six years Becker was everything to German tennis — that interview," he said. However, For another six years Becker was

this side of Steffi Graf, that is surely as the stand-up comic grew up to become Woody Allen, It's at the point now that Becker appears Bohemian. He looks as if somebody agreed to back off his hair in return for a painting. He has posed nude with his francee, Barbara Feltus, who has a black American father and German mother. They are perpetually wants to beat the other considering huying a home in London, to make a statement about the racial tensions in Germany as much as to escape them.

In preparing for this quanterfinal Wednesday. Becker was confronting everything he doesn't like about tennis - namely, losing. His oppo-nent beat him in straight sets in that Wimbledon final two years ago. which made a German successor out of Stich while almost necessarily weakening Becker. He has not visited a Grand Slam final since.

Neither has Stich. It's as though something was split between them, with Stich accepting his end by inheritance. He has been made to stand for something, whereas his red-haired rival, ever readily aware, merely had to speak his mind, If Becker is Becker, then Such is the one who married young, wearing a white tuxedo to the church. He is the one who, when escaping his principal residence of Salzburg. chooses to live in the German town of Elmshorn, which is the sistercity of Dubuque, lowa.

He is the one who was quoted by Playboy as saying of right-wing radicalism: "One should not say that it is fundamentally had. As far as that is concerned, I simply do not know those people who have this tendency, follow these aims and maybe even have some plausible reasons for their actions, which would be understandable from their point of view."

The interview quoted him as trying to see things from the conservative point of view: "These people are very bitter, they are disappointed about the refugees policy and the unemployment. So who is helping them out then? Who is giving them education or work? Who tells them what they should do?"

Stich claimed last week that the most troubling statements were misquotations turned against him. "I'm never sympathising with those people. I never did, I never will,



Boris Becker had his hands full in defeating Michael Stich.

he has not sought a legal retraction process in Germany, but one which seeks proof.

His Davis Cup teammates like Such. (Becker no longer plays Davis Cup, saying it's too nationalistic.) No one seems to believe Stich is racist, no one believes he lacks intelligence, and therefore no one beheves — if the original statements were accurate — that he knew what he was talking about. Such explanations of the German problem are not redoemable. They do not stand up, especially from the distance of Monte Carlo or London. They sound plausible only to the German who doesn't know any better.

On Wednesday the two sides came together and stood apart. Boris Becker would not have done

launching tennis balls at each other from Playboy — a fairly routine for the resolution of the were-process in Germany, but one which heard. At home another question lay unresolved; but in this studium a champion was ascending. The fourth set went to Becker, and the people fell in line behind him.

> In the final set he carried a preak advantage into his last service some. A majority was screaming the name of Boris, as if against a whistling wind. At last Stich stumbled and fell chasing a hackhand, and a few breathless moments later the flund grass was still on his back as the last serve ricocheted off his racket. Meeting at the net. Becker appeared to console him, but Stich, ruther than waiting for his better hall, merely skulked off the court alone. And that probably, is something

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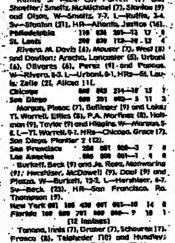
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FISA Calls Meeting on Rules Changes

PARIS (Reuters) - FISA said Wednesday that it has called a special meeting July 15 and 16 to study a controversial report made by stewards at the Canadian Grand Prix this mouth that suggested that nearly all present Formula One cars do not to comply with technical rules.

That report said 24 of the 26 cars in the Montreal race did not meet

rules governing active suspension and traction control. The cars were surprise raid on the club's head-allowed to race in Canada to give FISA time to make a ruling and are quarters. expected to compete in Sunday's French Grand Prix at Magny • Renault said Wednesday is re-considering its long-term future in

Formula One, necause of the changes in the technical regulations that cut back on the technology allowable.

Former Miami Counselor Indicted

MIAMI (NYT) - Tony Russell, a former University of Miami academic counselor, was indicted on one count of federal financial aid fraud, capping a two-year iovestigation into financial aid fraud among

According to Tuesday's indictment from the U.S. attorney's office, more than \$220,000 in Pell Grant funds were obtained fraudulently between June 1989 and June 1991 and 356 documents were falsified by 91 present or former Miami students, all but several of them athletes. Rossell, who has acknowledged illegally securing up to \$2,400 a year per athlete in Pell Grant funds in exchange for a payment of up to \$100 each, has accepted a plea bargain arrangement stipulating that he plead guilty. He faces a maximum of five years in prison, up to \$440,000 in fines, and may be ordered to pay restitution.

Penguins Link Up With Moscow Team

PITTSBURGH (AP) - The Pittsburgh Penguins have announced an agreement with the Central Red Army Hockey Team, which could include sending players to Russia and gives the NHL team a chance to establish a scouting base in what's become a rich talent lode. Twenty-two former former Red Army players are on NHL rosters.

Team officials said the Penguins will have "a small portion" of their 1994 training camp in Russia, will conduct clinics there and will have

some NHL games televised in Russia. The Red Army team will be invited to Pittsburgh for an exhibition tour next summer and some of its games may be added to the Penguins' subscription TV package.

For the Record

An international baskethall league with teams in Hong Kong. Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Manila, and Perth and Cairus in Australia, is expected to become a reality within the next four weeks, organizers said Wednesday. They said other countries have been asked to join. (Remers) The Los Angeles Raiders have signed former Notre Dame star Raghib

ismail, who spent the last two seasons with the CFL's Toronto Argonants, to a deal worth about \$3 million, The Toronto Sun reported. (AP) Nick Milesi, past owner of Cleveland franchises in the WHA, NBA and major league baseball, has made a non-refundable \$50,000 deposit as part of his application for a CFL franchise in Las Vegas.

. The French soccer player in a photograph in Wednesday's editions was mis-identified. The player was Christophe Robert.

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Judge Seizes Financial Records From Marseille

MARSEILLE. France - The pital suffering from depression. judge investigating the Marseille soccer bribery allegations seized fi-nancial documents Wednesday in a

Judge Bernard Belly and six po-lice officials spens seven hours sit-ing through files and financial documents. Belfy left without making any comment but Marseille's vicepresident. Jean-Louis Levreau, said the judge had called in locksmiths to force open the sale of the club's financial director. Alain Laroche.

Laroche was in Paris and we didn't have the keys." Levreau said. Beffy was expected to next question the team's general secretary. present himself for questioning.

Jean-Pierre Bernes, who is in a hos-Medical experts said that Bernes, named by three Valenciennes players in connection with the affair.

was fit to be interviewed. Three Valenciennes players, Jacques Glassmann, Christophe Robert and Argentine World Cup star Jorge Burruchaga have said Mar-seille midfielder Jean-Jacques Ey-must take sanctions when we have delie and Bernes offered them cash to lose the game.

Eydelie remained to custody in Valenciennes, where he is being questioned.

Burruchaga flew back to Paris on Wednesday and headed for Valenciennes, where he said he would

"I have things to say and they are important, u's true," he said without elaborating. But, he added, he had nothing to reproach himself for. The French federation's presi-

dent. Jean Fourner-Fayard, mei with the sports minister. Michele Alliot-Marie, and the league's president. Noël Le Graet and said "the the evidence to do so. The minister

porters traveled to Paris to demonstrate outside the league's headquarters, calling for Marseille's 1-0 victory over their team to be annulled and their club restored to

the first division.

the Italian football federation ruled. is in complete agreement with us." About 100 Valenciennes sup-

Gaucei, who owns a substantia horse racing stable, secured the Actreale match by giving a Thoroughbred to the father-in-law of match referee Emanuele Senzaci qua, the committe ruled. Gaucet. who said the horse had been sold, Reuters, AFP: can appeal.

Henley Regatta Opens With Several Surprises

Compiled in Our Stall From Disposities HENLEY. England - A rare dead heat was recorded Wednesday as the first day of Henley Roy-Regalta produced some blister-

The opening day's reputation as one of processions was dispelled as decisions of under a length became cess Elizabeth crew were the only common and Bedford's race ones to actually enter the record against Tideway Scullers in the Wyfold Fours was declared a dead hear. Bedford won the rerowed race Neptune and Brookes University

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Scottish Argonauts in the Wyfold after another classic encounter. produced the fastest eights times of

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the day in heats of the Thames and Temple Cups respectively, while London's lightweight four produced an impressive 6 minutes, 39 seconds defeating Molesey in a late evening Wyfold battle.

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book with a time that equaled their event's best to the Barrier. Two selected crews were beaten.

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University lost to the University of Princess Elizabeth Cup for school Wales in the Temple eights.

Harvard began its bid for glory with two emphatic victories. The junior varsity lightweight

crew won by five lengths over the Scottish crew from Aberdeen Boar Club in the Thames Cup for eights. and the coxed four defeated the Thames Rowing Club in the Britannia Cup with a vendict of "easily."

heavily for its participation in the

eights. The sear of us number four oarsman. David Hunter from East London, broke after about 50 meters, leaving Selborne powerless against the American boot challenge of Phillips Academs in New Homp-

The race was not rowed out, and it meant the South Africans had less than 30 seconds of genuinely The idiosyncrasies of Henley's competitive rowing. They had trav-traditions made the South African eled 6,000 miles 19,656 kilometers) team from Selborne College pay and paid about 5,000 rand (\$1,500)

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Brotherly Devotion

once in a while I worry about

my government.

Recently 1 became concerned when The Washington Post dug up an older half-brother of President Clinton - a half-brother the president didn't know he had. His name

is Henry Leon Ritzenthaler. When the president was questioned about it he said that he was leged hrother. 🛣 Недгу

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checking it out. He told report ers that he had called his alwasn't home and the presi-

dent had left a Buchwald message on his answering service. The White House staff let on that the half-brother was traveling across the United States and that's why he could not be located.

What worned me when I saw all this unfold on TV was that the president of the United States, with all the resources at his disposal. could not locate a blood relative and had to leave a message on the person's answering machine This is how I imagine the search

was conducted. Any news on my half-brother Непгу?"

"No. sir. Mr. President. We have all our satellites focused on the major highways and, as we speak, we have AWAC planes cruising the air. We also have roadhlocks in every state that voted for you in the election. So far there have been no sightings, although we have picked up two of your second cousins and

an uncle you didn't know existed." "I don't understand it. We have all the state-of-the-art detection

De Havilland Wardrobe Sold The Associated Press

LONDON - The wardrobe of Qüvia de Havilland, who was outfitted atmost exclusively hy the house of Christian Dior, has been sold for £29,940 (about \$43,800) at a Christie's auction. The actress's wardrobe, dating from 1954 to 1974, included more than 70 outfits designed by Dior and his successons at the house,

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,30 ime mi Se. WASHINGTON — Every equipment known to man, Surely he can't disappear into thin air! He has to pick up his calls on the answering

machine sooner or later." "The CIA is as perplexed as you are, sir. They had u tip from the FBI that your half-brother had been spotted on the 'Today' show, 'Good Morning America' and CBS'

This Morning. "We're checking it out now, Wil-

lard Scott, our mole at the 'Today' show, is afraid to talk about it

"Why would my brother avoid

"It's hard to fathom, Mr. President. Maybe he has all the family he wants. Also, there are some people who don't want to be connected with the White House. They figure that they have enough trouble as it

"What else are you doing to discover his whereabouts?"

"We obtained a court order to open his mail, and the Secret Service is building a composite sketch of him to be placed in post offices across the United States. The Atlanue fleet is watching for him off the coast of Haits. Sooner or later somebody is bound to see him in a 7-Eleven or a McDonald's, Sust our of curiosity, Mr. President, why are you so anxious to find him?"

"I need a standhy brother — it case the one I have now screws up. Wouldn't you think that a guy would be interested in contacting a long-lost relative who is leader of

"I would think so, especially after all the political victories you have had this week. I think you should send out word that if your brother turns himself in, you'll make him David Gergen's deputy." "I'd lore to catch him before he appears on 'Geraldo' '

It took more than a week before the president located Henry, Luck played a part. Ritzenthaler's whereabouts were discovered in the late Justice Thurgood Marshall's papers, which had been turned over

to the Library of Congress.

The president was elated, and he offered Henry a job in the administration. Henry turned it down because he hadn't paid Social Securito taxes for the family help

John Grisham: Readers' Verdict Is In

By David Streitfeld Hashington Post Service

WASHINGTON - The verdict is unanimous: John Grisham is the most popular thing to come out of the legal world since no-fault divorce. Walk down the aisle of any airplane and a half-dozen people will be reading "The Pelican Brief" or "A Time to Kill." Stand in line at a Super Crown and it's a sure thing the person in front of you will be buying "The Firm" or "The Client." or at least asking plaintively when the author's

next book will be out.

Grisham has sold 25 million books in less than 18 months, a figure that undoubtedly makes him the fastest-selling novelist in American history.

Yet if Grisham is mescapable, you can find a chorus of perplexed reviewers complaining that he's not very good. "I could put it down," one goes, and

"written in the grand tradition of the American comic book" and "reads like one of those cheesy 'novelizations' of movie scripts you can find in bookstores." others say. They point out that his plots are flimsy, the stereotypes grating tan Arab terrorist is even named "Khamel"; and the writing sometimes nonsensical tone character "cuts his eyes in all directions"). The film version, which opened in the United States this week, also drew mixed reviews.

If critics are mystified by his enormous cess, so are some of Grisham's fans. "If I knew the answer, every book I handled would be a major best-seller," says his

You might think Grisham himself could supply a convincing reason, but he seems as confused as anyone by his golden touch. He recently said his first effort. "A Time to Kill." was "the best book I have ever written or ever will write. My novels have gotten worse as I've gone along."

Grisham is 38, by all accounts a race

guy if a little bewildered and beleaguered. And why not? Every journalist in the United States wants to talk to him. every reader wants to meet him, and meanwhile he's only five chapters into his fifth book, which is coming out next spring and is of course expected to be another blockbuster. It wasn't possible to interview him for this story, "He's away, he's busy writing, it's not going to hap-pen," said his publicist.

Things were more placid once. For a

decade Grisham was a lawyer in Southaven. Mississippi, It took him three years to write "A Time to Kill," which was terned down by 15 agents and publishers before lay Garon agreed to take him on.

Garon saw something in Grisham, but for a time couldn't convince anyone else In 1988 the obscure Wynwood Press finally issued the book, to great yawns. Fewer than 5.000 copies were sold.

A year ago, after the success of "The Firm," "A Time to Kill" was published by Dell in paperback. It's been on the bestseller list ever since - 63 weeks. There are now 6 million copies in print. What happened! It's no better a book than it was back when no one cared. But now people have heard about it, and they want it.

Most novels are published in virtual secrecy, never able to reach even a minimal audience that would appreciate them. Grisham is one of the few writers who approach the automatic name recognition say. Tom Cruise or Julia Roberts.

The Firm had good luck from the beginning, Booksellers loved this story of a young lawyer up against not one but two sets of villains — the Mob and the Feds and recommended it to their customers as a compulsive read. But there are a lot of pretty good books being touted as compulsive, and they don't sell 10 million copies. "The Firm" is one of the most popular novels of modern times, although it has a ways to go before it matches the record-holder. The Valley of the Dolls" (28 mil-

The Village Voice Literary Supplement did a good job of deconstructing the ap-peal of "The Firm," pointing out that in the true 1980s tradition "it simultaneously worships and demonizes money" while remaining "free of the literary out bran of social commentary; instead it serves up a delicious pate of designer labels, schlocky suspense, and six-figure salaries."
It also had an extremely helpful plot

device, one used in works as various as "Rosemary's Baby" and "JFK": There's a vast conspiracy out there, and everyone except our hero is part of it. Mitch McDeere is an ordinary guy - well, brilhant and a shark, but kind of ordinary who finds out that his law firm is a front for the mob. He's forced to do battle, albeit refuctantly.

"Mitch is the common man," says Arlene Friedman, editorial director of the Literary Guild. "He's everyone's image of what it would be like to be able to achieve it all and find there was nothing but evil

If Grisham had written only "The Firm," it would be possible to conclude that he had merely gotten lucky. But his next book, "The Pelican Brief," doubled the hardcover sales of "The Firm," selling 1.3 million copies. And "The Client," pubtished this spring, doubled his sales again. In less than four months, it has 2.6 million

copies in print, Robert Barnett, the Williams & Connolagent and lawyer, basically thinks Grisham is so great, he can't wait to read his next book "Grisham has an absolutely wenderful abidity to write dialogue and



Author Grisham: 25 million books can't be wrong — or can they?

plot. His books move along rapidly and pleasurably. He also has an uncanny ability to take issues involving law and lawyers and translate them into something extremely readable and lively.

A slight variation on this theory holds that Grisham is successful not so much for what he puts in as for what he leaves out.

This list includes extraneous details, subplots, rich characterization - anything that would get in the way of the urgent plot. "He gets you breathing hard and shallow," said Bill Kramer, a Washington bookseller, "and that keeps you turning those pages.

There's also the Wholesome Theory. While there's some sex in Grisham's novets, it's usually along the lines of "They had sex." The violence, too, is much less horrific than anything in the daily newspa-

And then there's the curiosity angle: For the past two years, people have been hearing about Grisham at parties, at lunch with their colleagues or from the folks next to them on the plane. People now buy the books simply to see what all the fuss is all

The most popular theory about Grisham is that he's sold 25 million books because of his subject matter. This of course, is the Lawyer Theory.

'It used to be the conventional opinion in paperback publishing that if you put a swastika on the cover, it would sell," says Gerald Howard, an editor at W. W. Norton. "Now it's the scales of justice, somewhat tipped. The law has replaced Nazis as the fuel for commercial entertainment."

"Lawyers are the people everyone loves to hate," says the Literary Guild's Friedman, noting that even lawyers dislike the profession. "A lot of people who go into the law are idealistic, but they find out it wasn't as they anticipated. In some ways, Mitch in 'The Firm' could be almost every lawyer I've known. I don't know one wbo doesn't want to get out."

in all of Grisham's books, the FBI and other government representatives are por-trayed as not only venal but incompetent as well. This again confirms what many people already believe.

The public doesn't really have faith in the government anymore, do they?" asks Friedman, "It's a sad commentary on our

PEOPLE

Whitney Sues and Post Prints a Retraction

Whitney Houston slapped the New York Post with a \$60 million lawsuit for a story that said she overdosed on diet pills. And the Post printed a retraction on Wednesday, saying: "Ms. Houston did not suffer an overdose of any pills and does not take diet pills. She was not admitted to Miami's Mount Sinai Hospital (or any other hospital), and was not diagnosed with any heart irregularities." One of the reporters who wrote the story, Florence Anthony, apologized "I am very sorry that we caused all of this trouble," she said.

Amy Fisher and her parents have agreed to settle a lawsuit filed by lary Jo Buttafuoco who was sho by the Long Island teenager, who said she was having an affair with Buttafuoco's husband, Joey. Fishet, 18, is serving a 5- to 15-year sentence for the shooting. Mrs. Buttafuoco had sued for \$150 million. The terms were not disclosed.

The Duchess of York, her separation from Prince Andrew now legally sealed, has vowed not to marry her Texan financial adviser. The Sun said. "I'll never marry John Bryan. It's too ridiculous for words," the newspaper quoted the 33-year-old duchess as telling friends ... Meanwhile Princess Diana, another royal in line for a divorce, turns 32 on Thursday.

Dr. William Kennedy Smith has finished his one-year residency at the University of New Mexico Medical Center and is bound for Chicago, where he will continue his studies in rehabilitation medicine. Smith was acquitted of a rape charge in 1991.

Ike Turner, the former partner of Tina Turner, has denounced the movie "What's Love Got to Do With It," in which be's portrayed as a drug addict and a wife-beater.
That has to be the biggest lie ever told," he said. "It's a total fabrication. The only thing I put my foot down on was the music.

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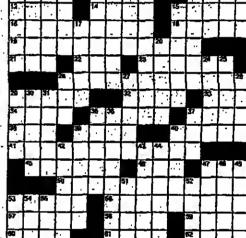
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